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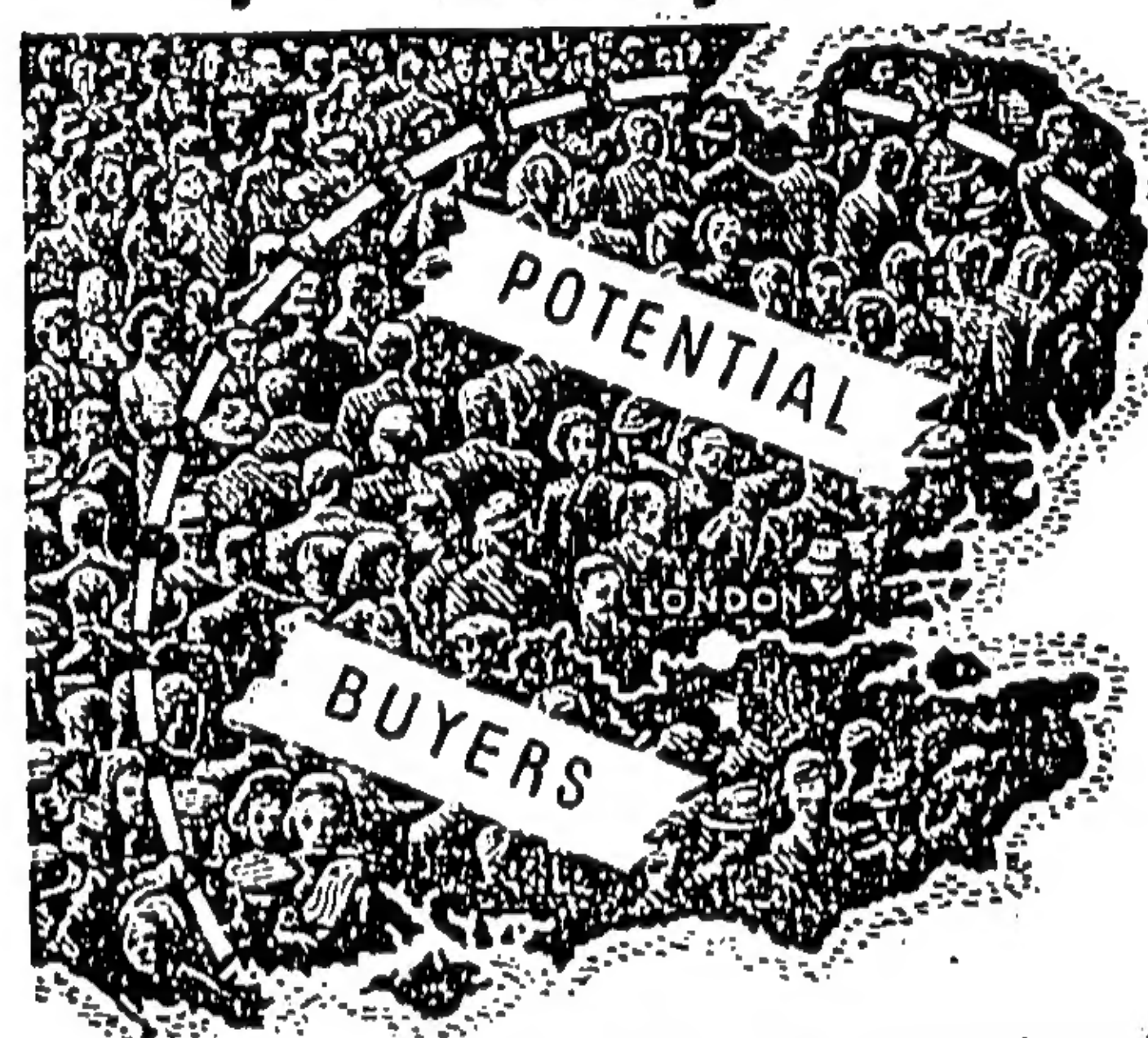
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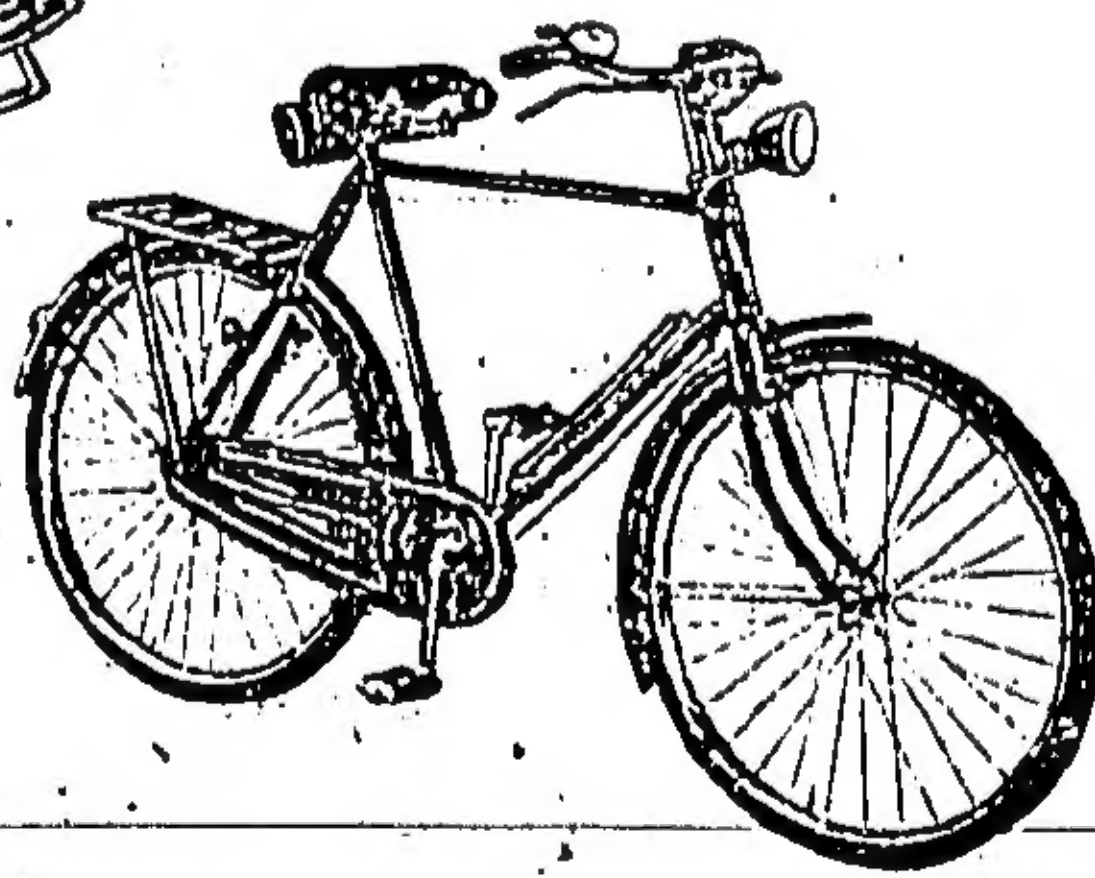
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KEY MONEY DEMAND HAS COURT SEQUEL

Demand for \$7,000 made to John Percival Prettejohn (33), journalist of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., for the transfer of the tenancy of 177 Saiyungchoi Street, ground floor, resulted in the appearance of the principal tenant, her cousin, the broker, and the assistant caretaker before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Cheung Fung-lan, 20-year-old spinster, was fined the maximum of \$2,000 on each of two charges of demanding the money and of demanding an excess rent for the premises. Her cousin, Chung Kit-sun (30), was fined \$2,000 for aiding and abetting her in the first demand. The broker, Li Wah, was fined \$4,000 (or a year's simple imprisonment) for demanding \$700 as brokerage and aiding and abetting Cheung in the demand for \$7,000. Li Kwan (34) was fined \$100 (or a month's imprisonment) for aiding and abetting Li Wah in asking for the \$700 brokerage. Det. Sub-Inspector J. Moore of the Special Branch prosecuted. First and second defendants were represented by Mr. P.A.L. Vine of Deacons.

"Transfer Fee"

J. P. Prettejohn, in evidence, said that on instructions of DSI Moore he proceeded with DSI Chan K-yik to a house at the corner of Nathan Road and Mong Kok Road at 11 a.m. on April 28 where they looked at the various advertisements for houses and flats to let, which were pasted on a board outside the premises. They were approached by Li Wah who asked whether they were looking for premises. Witness replied that his friend, indicating DSI Chan, was interested and asked for particulars about a house at Nathan Road.

He was told the transfer fee was \$5,500 and the one in Tak Shing Street was \$35,000 with a rental of \$400 per month.

Third defendant, according to witness, then suggested that they take the flat at 177 Saiyungchoi Street, ground floor, the transfer fee of which was \$7,000.

On being asked who was to benefit by the \$7,000 third defendant, alleged witness, replied that it was a Shanghai woman who was the principal tenant. This accused, added Prettejohn, further stated that there would be an addition of \$700—payable as "profits" to himself.

Being unable to view the premises, then, witness and DSI Chan went back at 6.20 p.m. and, after seeing the flat, proceeded with third and fourth defendants to 6 Cumberland Road where they were introduced to the first two accused.

Chang Kit-sun, alleged witness, told him that a total of \$8,000 had been spent on re-

building the flat and for rent during the "several months" it had been vacant. The flat was obtained for an elder brother who finally decided not to come to Hong Kong.

Rent Increase

On being asked whether the nature of the tenant could be changed on the rent receipts, in future, Chang asked Cheung to inquire by telephone. She came back to say that she could not contact the other party, said Prettejohn, and asked him to telephone her the next morning. He did so first at the house and then at her office. He was informed that it would cost \$1,000 to make the necessary change, and that the rent would be increased to \$200 instead of \$150. When he and DSI Chan went to 6 Cumberland Road, first defendant confirmed the telephone conversation, and added that she thought the amount exorbitant.

After DSI Chan had revealed his true identity and warned all those present about making statements, witness then contacted DSI Moore at Kowloon City Police Station.

ENGINEERS' SOCIETY DINNER

The first annual dinner of the Engineering Society of Hong Kong held last night at the Hong Kong Hotel was well attended.

Main speech of the evening was by Mr. S.E. Forbes, the president. His Excellency the Governor in reply stated Hong Kong owed a great debt to the engineers of the Colony.

Among the guests present were Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Hon. Dr. S.N. Chau, Hon. Mr. C.C. Roberts, Hon. Mr. N.O.C. Marsh, Sir Robert Caird Marshall, Commander C.L. Robertson, Messrs. F.H. Gellion, A.J.R. Moss, V. Keniff, L. Kadoorie, H. Owen-Hughes, W.H. Latimer, and S.T. Williamson.

TWO MILLION TO BE TRAINED

Karachi, May 13.

Liaquat Ali Khan, Pakistan Premier and Defence Minister, told the Pakistan parliament today that it was his desire that 2,000,000 Pakistan civilians should be given military training as quickly as possible.

He disclosed that the Pakistani National Guard had 40 infantry battalions and in the next three months would have a 100 battalions.—Reuter.

Flower Sellers' Predicament

The three flower stall-holders who had moved to the corner of Nathan Road and Middle Road, Kowloon, on Monday to occupy new pitches earmarked by the Urban Council, received a rude shock on Thursday afternoon when a notice from the P.W.D. warned them to move out within 48 hours.

The three stalls, together with a fourth which was just about to start business, received licences costing \$240 a year from the Urban Council last month, to set up a flower market on vacant ground on Middle Road, near Signal Hill.

After a week or so during which they practically did no business, due to the spot being too far removed from ordinary traffic, they appealed to the Urban Council and obtained permission to move up to the corner of Nathan Road.

The change brought an instant change of luck to the stall-holders, for with the Police driving all unlicensed flower vendors of the street, they were suddenly flooded with buyers. The luck was, however, short-lived. The P.W.D. objected to occupation of Crown land without authority from them, hence the "get-out" notice.

The stall-holders brought their woe to the Urban Council yesterday, and it is understood the two "Government" Departments are trying to straighten things out.

"We shall be ruined if we have to move back to the old pitch," said the stall-holders to the "China Mail" representative yesterday. "We hope the Urban Council, who had approved of our moving down there, will succeed in getting the P.W.D. to allow us to remain."

Reminders

Today

Guard of Honour Farwell Parade for Maj.-Gen. Erskine, Murray Parade Ground, 10 a.m.
Second Night presentation of "The Spotted Princess," at Wah Yan College, Robinson Rd., 8.30 p.m.

Whitsun Dance, United Services Recreation Club, 9 p.m.
Whitsun Race Meeting, first day, 2 p.m.

Coming Events

Wappingham Competition, Bill-pla Club, King's Park, 8 p.m.

Personalia

Passengers by C.P.A. planes included W. Slooping, L. Pletcher, K.P.C. de Waart and N.H. Morgan (to Manila) and T.A. Zolowski (to Bangkok).

Peninsula Hotel arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. R. Vargas, Mrs. A. Svensen, Fred Boulton, John E. Bell, S.A. Simpson and Robert Mackay.

Peninsula departures: L. Granger, W. Rhys Cooper, Mrs. C.J. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mellanby, K.P.C. de Waart, Mrs. E. Balluett, M.R. Raymond, E.E. Proctor and P.C. Martin.

Latest departures from Hong Kong to Southampton by BOAC "Speedbird" flying-boat were Mrs. M. Gardener, Mrs. A.T. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. T.G. Main, Messrs. H.J. Hillie, G.H. Pearce, A.B.G. McPherson, E.L. Buckett, H.S. Hillier, Mrs. C.T. Hyde, Mrs. G. M. Hinwood and Mr. and Mrs. Chin Yuen-jun.

Aboard the same aircraft were Mr. and Mrs. J. Mellanby (for Rangoon), Messrs. Ko Kuo-ken, Ngo King-kee, D. Gubbay, A. Penelopeimov, R. Lumley and Chan Siew-chong (for Bangkok). Arrivals from Singapore by BOAC flying-boat were Dr. and Mrs. H.L. Lee, Mrs. Chan Kok-kei and Mr. Ki Keng-yuet, and from Bangkok Messrs. A.W. White, H.H. Herts, Wu Tang-pok and Wong Ka-chung.

Mrs. Yeo Wai-hong, chief case worker of the Hong Kong Social Welfare Council, has just left for China after spending three months in Britain as a guest of the British Council. During March she attended a three weeks course in the Social Services in Liverpool and has undertaken a comprehensive survey of the British Social Services throughout the country.

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced: Dr. Raymond Yang Kyung Wung, Medical Officer, 80 Waterloo Road, to Miss Elizabeth Emma Burridge, Nursing Sister, Queen Mary Hospital.

Mr. Andrew McLean, Charge-man, 19-21 Hankow Road, Kowloon, to Miss Aureolina Natalia Maria Rodriguez, 10 Ashley Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Mario Eugenio Osorio do Amaral, Clerk, 276 Prince Edward Road, to Miss Elsa Maria da Silva, Stenographer, 59 Kimberley Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Gilman Juan Benedicte, Clerk, 105 Shaokwan Road, to Miss Virginia Augusta de Assis, 105 Shaokwan Road, to Miss Virginia Augusta de Assis, 105 Shaokwan Road, to Miss Virginia Augusta de Assis, 105 Shaokwan Road.

Passengers embarking by R.M.S. "Canter" today include: H. Adkins, Mrs. Allen, G.J. Anstie, R. Beckett, D.C. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. D.J. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. R.H.C. Brew, Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Burnett, P.R. Campbell, A. Coombs, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gandy, J.E. Copple, and Mrs. J. Cotesworth and child, E. Davis, F.A. Dunnett, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Eason, Miss M. Easton, T.C. Fairburn, Mrs. G. Fisher, L.A. Fisher, Miss J.C. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. G.G. Follows and Miss H. Follows, Mrs. J. Gibson, Miss J.L. Goringe, T.W. Gracey, Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Gray and child, Mr. A. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Griffin, and Miss Griffin, C.M. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hensfield, Mrs. M. Hetherington, Miss C.A. Hetherington, M.J. Heywood, R.W. Hill, D. Hoot, Mr. Col. Hubert, Mrs. K.M. Hubert, Master P.J. Hubert, Miss H.M. Hubert, Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Hutchinson, H.D.H. Iyengar, J.B. Jones, J.A. Langman, Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Kennedy, Miss M. Kendrick, R.V.C. Lederhofer, Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Lo, Master J. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Mackay, A.R.B. Major, Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin, R.W.L. McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. H.D. McKay, Master McKay, J.M. and Mrs. McWilliams, J.O. Meyer, J.D. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. P. Morrison, Miss E.A. Morrison, Mrs. J.L. Murray, Miss M.H. Marshall, Miss J.R.D. Moore, Miss U. Morris, R.W.E. O'Keefe, Mrs. C. Ormiston, Miss M.G.B. Parker, Mrs. A.M. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. W. Patterson, Sister G.R. Patten, R.H. Patten, G.J. Symonds, Mrs. O. Skinner, R. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Stone, G.R.A. Stoner, Miss M.C. Symonds, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Topley, G.R. Whitty and Mrs. C. Witherforce.



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BUSINESSMAN FINED, GOLD CONFISCATED

Voon Pak-jut, 39-year-old businessman, charged with importing 1,510.14 taels of gold aboard the "Van Houtz" without licence and attempting to export without permission, was fined \$100 and had his gold confiscated by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Marcus da Silva, representing defendant, appeared in Court yesterday. The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, K.C., instructed by Mr. da Silva, had appeared for the defendant at previous hearings.

Mr. da Silva, after hearing judgment, informed the Court that he would confer with Mr. d'Almada as to whether they would ask for a review of the case or an appeal. He requested the Prosecuting Officer, Mr. E. Hilmsworth, Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Department, not to dispose of the exhibit meanwhile. His request was granted.

Mr. A. Lonsdale appeared for the Crown, with RO Humphreys assisting.

Mr. d'Almada said: "Counsel on behalf of the Crown has applied to this Court for the forfeiture of the gold, the subject matter of the two charges upon which the defendant has been convicted."

Right Of Crown

"The application is made under s. 2 of Section 13 of Ord. 32, 1915. The wording of s. 2 is amply clear and it is agreed by Counsel for the Crown and Defence to be discretionary."

"It is right of the Crown to demand the forfeiture of any substance or article declared prohibited, contravening and offending any of the regulations made under Ord. 32, 1915. Whenever the Crown deems fit so to do I am of the opinion that that power of forfeiture is conferred for the purpose of enforcing that right and there is thus a duty cast upon me for the benefit of the Crown whenever required."

"I agreed with Counsel for the Crown that the purpose of the regulations is to prevent the trafficking of gold through the colony. This prohibition by the Government is well known to all especially men engaged in commerce and to take a chance with a knowledge that upon seizure there will be an application for forfeiture a person taking such a chance must bear the consequence of his gamble."

Currency Pact Plans Not Begun

Mr. Fisher Yu, official of the Central Bank of China in Shanghai, confirmed to the United Press yesterday that no negotiations are going on for a Hong Kong-China currency pact, but indicated that they may begin shortly.

Mr. Yu said the Chinese Government is most anxious to conclude such an agreement, and added that he is still awaiting instructions. When and if they arrive he will open negotiations. (Mayor K. C. Wu of Shanghai was recently quoted as saying negotiations are going on).

He said this provision has not yet been acted upon, but the Chinese Government is most desirous that it be implemented as soon as possible.—United Press.

BULLITT VISITS TAIWAN

Shanghai, May 14. Accompanied by General Sun Li-jen, Commander-in-Chief in charge of military training, Mr. William C. Bullitt, former American Ambassador to Russia, arrived at Taipei, the capital of Taiwan, yesterday, for a brief visit.

Mr. Bullitt is expected to inspect the large training camp on the island, where thousands of Chinese troops are undergoing training under American direction, and supervision.—Reuter.



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Mother's
Plea For
Leniency

With tears streaming down her face, a mother pleaded leniency for her only son who appeared for a third time at Central Magistracy yesterday, charged with loitering with intent to commit a felony.

"I am sorry for you," Mr. F.X. d'Almada told her. "He is your only son, but he is a bad egg. I am satisfied that defendant followed in the manner described by the witnesses."

The defendant has just been released from Stanley Prison after serving four months and is under police supervision. It is clear that defendant has upon his release contacted his criminal friends and fallen into his old habits once again.

"It is apparent that it would be useless to have defendant under police supervision for two years only."

"I sentence defendant to three months hard labour and continuous police supervision. It is clear that defendant has upon his release contacted his criminal friends and fallen into his old habits once again."

Wong Hon-ik, alias Wong Kwok-nah, 18-year-old unemployed, stated that he was released from prison only a few days when he was arrested. He was looking for a street in Hong Kong when the constable caught him.

PC #32 told the Court that he saw four men at 11.28 a.m. on May 11 in Connaught Road, Central, following pedestrians up and down the road. They were busy scrutinizing pockets and parcels of the passers by.

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Defendant was represented by Mr. Marcus da Silva, while Det. Sub-Inspector T. Cashman prosecuted.

Mui Chiu-chun, nephew of the complainant, said he came to Hong Kong in December, 1945, to inquire into \$50,000 which his uncle, Mui Lung-nai, had deposited with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

Chan told him that she did not know how much had been withdrawn previously and that she wanted to withdraw the remainder.

Defendant produced a document which he said was from the Bank acknowledging previous withdrawals and said that his aunt should sign it before anything could be done. She did so.

At the Bank the document was handed to Mr. Tam. Defendant then asked the witness for the receipt given to her by the Bank.

Witness said that he did not know actually who possessed the receipt but that he had told his aunt to get it from the defendant, after leaving the bank.

Aunt Wept
At the last meeting, witness said, his aunt was weeping, saying that she was afraid that the defendant might abscond with the money.

Eventually witness was informed by the Bank that defendant had withdrawn the money and gone away.

The defendant told him that the chap for the money had been misled, that he had advertised its loss and that \$20,000 had been withdrawn by Mui Har-san, who had returned to the country via Macao.

In Canton in February, 1947, his aunt showed him a letter from defendant requesting her to see him.

Before the adjournment, Mr. da Silva pointed out that throughout the last witness' evidence he had wholly contradicted that of his aunt and the Bank official.

Counsel noted that complainant mentioned two meetings, but the aunt talked about "dozens of meetings."

He declared that the "ridiculous case" should terminate at once or an early date be fixed should the Magistrate consider continuing the hearing. Counsel also observed that he felt guilty that his client should have been detained for almost seven months.

Hearing was fixed for May 19 at 4 p.m.

Sanhor Salinas de Moura, of Macao, is to speak on "The Romance of Colonial Literature" at the sixth session of the Portuguese Institute at Clube Lusitano at 6 p.m. tomorrow.

'SPECIAL REASON' PLEA
BY OBSERVATORY MAN
DOES NOT SAVE LICENCE

The use of a car to facilitate the discharge of one's duties does not constitute a "special reason" as provided by Section 5 (ss 2) of the Motor Vehicles (Amended) Ordinance of 1947, ruled Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when he recalled Northam Lawrence (29) of the Royal Observatory who was, earlier in the morning, fined a total of \$500 on the charges of driving while under the influence of drink and driving without due care and attention.

The Magistrate further held that "special reasons" could be pleaded by drivers of taxis, public vehicles, and others whose means of livelihood depended on driving a motor vehicle.

Defendant's licence was ordered to be suspended for 12 months on the first charge and endorsed with the second.

Mr. L. Starbuck, Acting Director of the Royal Observatory, said that defendant's duties were rather peculiar. He had to be in Kowloon from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m., which was quite out of the run of ordinary duties. If his licence was suspended it would mean that the major part of his duties would be lost to the Royal Observatory, resulting in a curtailment of the work of that department.

Have To Drive Themselves
The Observatory was already understaffed. The office car was off duty once a week, when the driver gets his day off, and the officers had then to drive the car themselves whether they wanted to or not.

In his point of view, the suspension of defendant's licence would give rise to a crisis in the Royal Observatory. Mr. Starbuck added, after the Magistrate had given his decision, that he was

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"Fortunate
Five Men"
Discharged

"You are the most fortunate five men I have encountered for a long time," said Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Puisne Judge), at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when he discharged Li Yiu, Li Chi-wing, Chan Mo, Lam Tak and Tong Shan, who were unanimously found "not guilty" by a jury which included three women on a charge of attempted robbery.

Li Chi-wing and Chan Mo, who were additionally charged with possession of arms and a dagger, respectively, were found "not guilty" on this count and discharged.

Before discharging the accused, Mr. Justice Gould remarked that he had considered the question of summary action against them for perjury, but in view of the verdict of the jury, he would leave this matter for the Crown to take such action as it thought fit.

The jury were exempted from further jury service for one year. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. Reynolds, assisted by Det. Insp. D. G. MacPherson.

Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. C.A.S. Buss and Mr. M.A. de Silva, appeared for Li Yiu and Tong Shan. The other three accused were not legally represented.

The five accused were alleged to have been concerned in an attempted robbery at 171 Lockhart Road, Wanchai, at about 9.30 a.m. on Feb. 13.

Commercial Honesty Questions

Questions on commercial morality and honesty were brought up at yesterday's continued hearing of the action by Wo Loong Hong (plaintiffs) against the Canton Overseas Trading Co. (defendants), for damages for breach of contract, when Mak Wah-sang of the defendants' company was subjected to cross-examination.

The action is the outcome of a refusal to take delivery of and pay for 500 pieces of dry shaved buffalo hides.

The case is being heard before Mr. Justice E.H. Williams (Chief Justice).

The plaintiffs are represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, K.C., instructed by Mr. Sidney Ng Quinn of Messrs. Bruton and Company.

Mr. B.A. Bernadine, instructed by Mr. F.D. Hammond is appearing for the defendants.

YOUTH CANED FOR SNATCHING

Lam Kong, 17-year-old Chiu Chau youth, was sentenced to 10 strokes of the cane and ordered to be expelled by Mr. W.H. Lam, J.P., at Kowloon yesterday on the charge of snatching a gold bangle from Mrs. Harverson on May 13.

Defendant was caught by Mr. Packington as he was running down the alleyway behind Halphong Road. Defendant threw the bangle away and it had not been recovered.

Other profiteers, who overcharged from between five cents and 50 cents, received fines ranging from \$5 to \$35.

DOCKYARD DANCE

The fourth of the H.M. Dockyard Recreation Club's popular Supper Dances is being held to-night in the China Fleet Club's newly-opened Guest Rooms from 8 p.m. to 12.30 a.m.

Ken Cochrane and his popular band will render music with vocal solos by gifted singer Dave Whitfield.

A limited number of tickets at \$12 per couple are still available by application to the Social Secretary, L.R. Aucutt.

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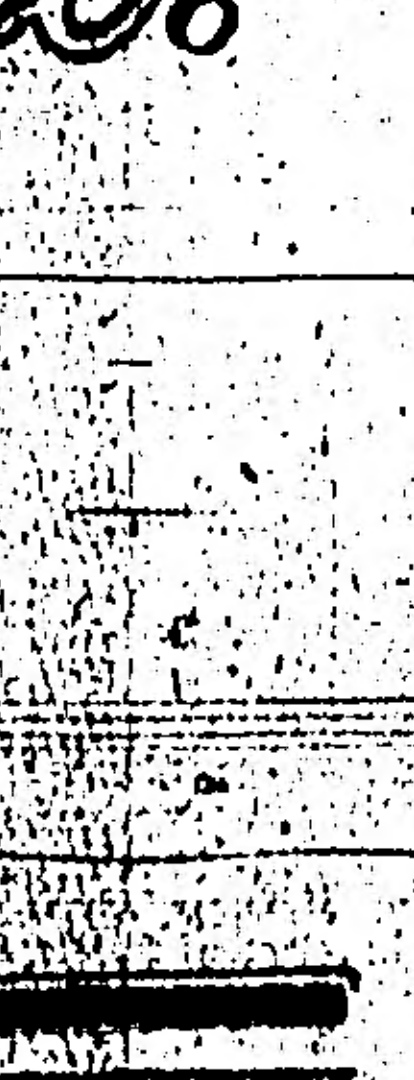
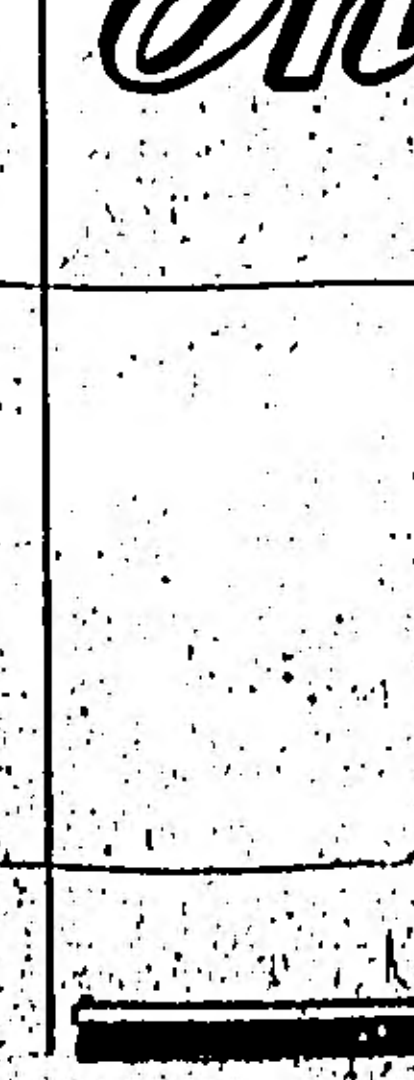
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All persons who wish to raise objections to the proposed New Memorandum, should file with the Registrar of Companies, Hong Kong a brief statement in writing to such objections on or before the 20th day of June, 1948.

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CANTON INSURANCE COMPANY HAS BEST YEAR ON RECORD

"The premium income of the Canton Insurance Office for 1947 passed the six million mark and exceeded the best previous figure by over a million dollars," stated the Hon. Mr. D. F. Landale at the Annual meeting yesterday.

The chairman said:—"Premium Income rose from \$4,353,476 for 1945 to \$5,044,257 for the year under review but losses also increased by \$505,503. Interest shows a small rise of \$9,598. "A comparison of ratios between the two years reveals losses at 42.91% for 1946 as against 36.13% for 1945 while charges work out at 31.13% as against 25.46%. The underwriting surplus was 25.96% compared with 38.41% for 1945. "The balance at credit of the 1947 working account as at Dec. 31, 1947, stood at \$3,022,128 as compared with \$2,822,441 for the previous year. This carry forward is a record. Premium income is up by \$2,030,850 when compared with 1946 but losses have also risen by \$701,059.

\$12 Dividend

"It is recommended that the dividend be paid out of the 1946 working account balance. This balance, after deducting the interim dividend of \$5.00 paid last year, stands at \$1,552,294, and I propose that a dividend of \$12.00 per share be paid which will absorb \$600,000 and that the balance of \$952,294 be transferred to underwriting suspense account, thus closing the 1946 working account. As for the balance of \$3,022,128 for the 1947 working account I propose that this be carried forward.

"It would appear that we are paying a dividend of \$17.00 for 1946 account but in actual fact shareholders will only be receiving \$12.00 during the present calendar year, since the interim dividend of \$5 was paid in June 1947 at the same time as the final dividend of \$7.00 for the previous year.

"British Indian and Colonial

"In Australia, where this Company has been operating for a great many years, we have suffered heavily from taxation owing to restrictive legislation regarding reinsurance placed abroad. The Act has recently been amended and the Company should benefit in net income received from that part of the world in the future.

The consulting committee re-elected consisted of Messrs. F. C. Barry, C. Bernard Brown, P. S. Cassidy, D. E. Clark, Hon. M. K. Lo, Messrs. W. A. Steward and S. T. Williamson.

Among the shareholders present at the meeting were: Messrs. Ho Shai-cheung, Chan Wing, H. Lo, D. Hung, B. W. Hendry, Li Koon-chun and C. C. Blake.

Prisoner Gives Evidence

Chan Yiu, a 51-year-old store labourer serving a four-month prison term at Stanley Prison appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday to give evidence against a 23-year-old radio mechanic charged with receiving stolen property.

Au Kit, of No. 540 Nathan Road, ground floor, charged with receiving 120 W/T valves, knowing them to be stolen, was fined \$1,000 or six months' hard labour.

Chan told the Court that he sold the valves to the defendant at \$1.30 each. He did not know their real value.

The defendant was a spik of the West Wah Wireless Accessories Shop. The goods were all without packing and were delivered in a tea-house. No receipt was issued.

Defendant had a previous conviction for unlawful possession. He was not represented legally.

Loiterers Charged

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Protest To Churchill

Shanghai, May 14: Joining in the cries of protest which have arisen at the release of former Japanese Maj. Gen. Kinoshita, wartime head of the Japanese Gendarmérie in Shanghai, and former Sgt. Maj. Yoshikida, his assistant in notorious Bridge House, a local resident has written a letter to Mr. Winston Churchill, expressing the hope that the crimes of these offenders will not go unpunished.

The writer, whose name was not divulged, said "guilty men have paid the penalty in Europe and elsewhere for far less than these two arch devils. We all wonder on what possible grounds the Attorney General could have approved the release of Kinoshita and Yoshikida from British custody in Hongkong while the blood of many Britishers, not to mention thousands of Chinese and other nationals, remains on their hands."

He hoped the letter, "will in some small measure augment the ammunition that you and all you stand for so sorely need today."

Reuter.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR BAGGAGE

"The sampan mistress cannot be held responsible for baggage put on her sampan to be brought to the wharf," said Mr. Hin Shing Lo at Central Magistracy yesterday when he discharged Lo Chai, boatwoman, when she appeared on a charge of being in possession of dutiable commodities—85 bottles of brandy—on April 27 at the Canton Wharf.

Mr. Alfred Hon, defending, pleaded "not guilty." Revenue Officer J. Redman prosecuted.

Mr. Hon said that he thought it ridiculous to charge the woman when the owners could not be found.

Lo Chai in evidence said she had been asked by passengers on the s.s. "Hermeline" to bring their luggage to the Canton Wharf. She did not know the baggage contained dutiable goods.

WAR PLANES FOR CHINA

Shanghai, May 14: Eight thousand tons of cargo, including Canadian-built Mosquito bombers and a stockpile of arms and ammunition, arrived here last night aboard the s.s. St. Thomas, of the Canadian Asiatic Lines, from Montreal.

The consignment was bought by China under the terms of the credit agreement concluded between the countries.—Reuter.

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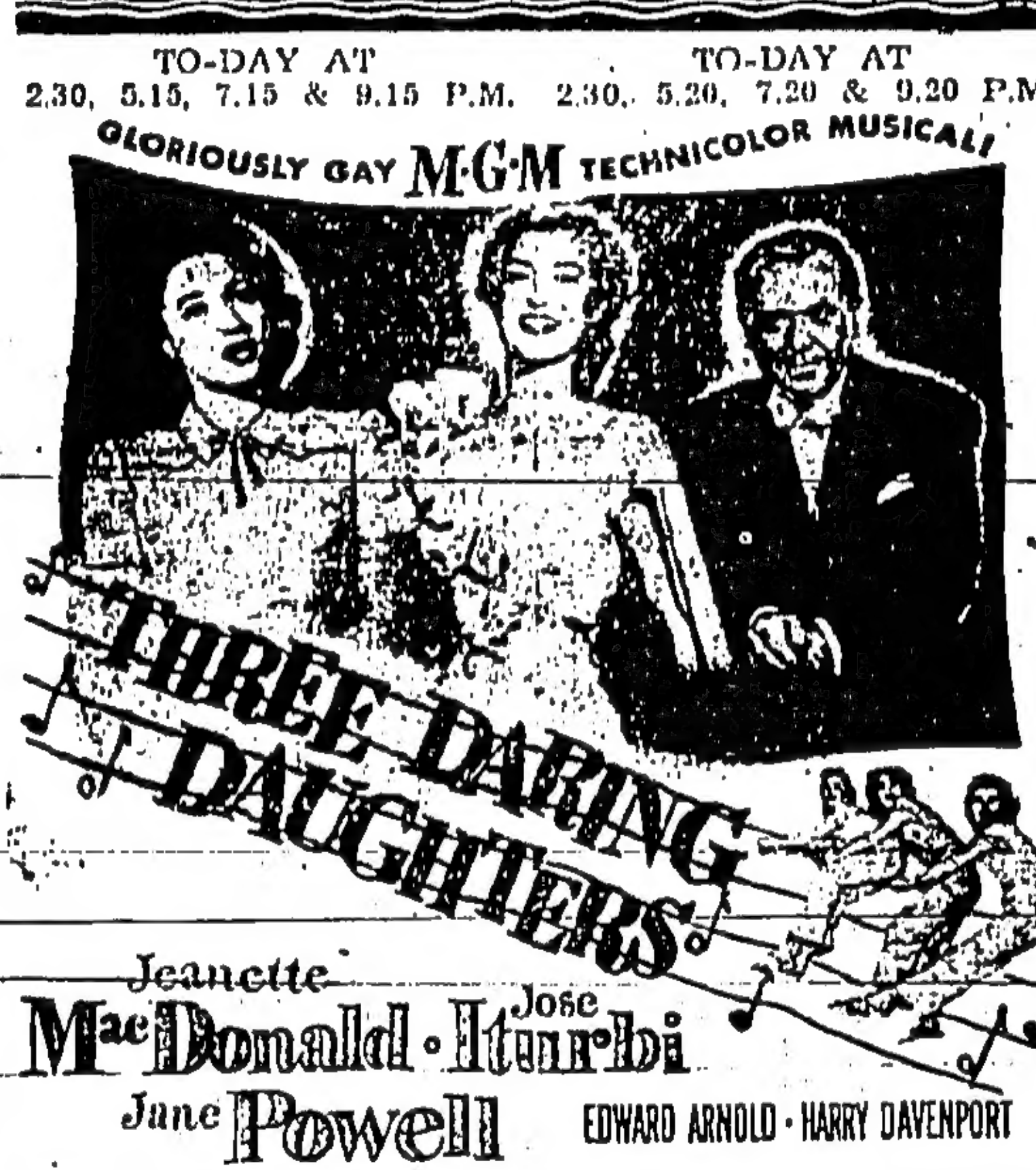
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THE ELECTIONS IN KOREA

Syngman Rhee Assured Of Presidency

Resentment Over U.N. Statement

Seoul, May 13.
Heavier guards were posted today on two Seoul hotels where members and staff of the United Nations Korean Commission are staying. All visitors were subject to identity checks and a larger number of American military police than usual patrolled the vicinity of the hotels.

Increased precautions are believed to have been taken for fear of active Korean resentment against a statement made by the Chairman of the Commission, Dr. Yasin Mughir, of Syria, on the elections. Dr. Yasin Mughir said the "efficiency of the elections was so remarkable" that in his mind, a certain degree of caution and reservation was necessary in an appraisal of that efficiency. Some Koreans regard this as an unwarranted reflection on the conduct of the elections. "The Korean people are not very happy about this statement," Dr. Syngman Rhee, leader of the Rightwing Korean Independence Party, said.

Right Wing Success
The Commission decided today to ignore the statement of General Douglas MacArthur, the Allied Supreme Commander in Japan, reversing his previous ruling that the Commission should not enter Japan to prepare its election report. The Commission heard from Tokyo today that officers were being prepared there for it, but will make no change in its plan to seek accommodation in Shanghai. With only five returns outstanding, Dr. Syngman Rhee's Rightwing "Rapid Realisation" Independence Party was the largest group in the South Korean election. Out of 195 seats, it held 58. The rival Rightwing Hankook

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay
"The Authority on Authorities"

IS IT COMMON SENSE?
"I just use common sense," is the boast of some supercilious players who disdain such mundane things as percentages. They would not waste their time learning the odds for and against different plays. Stopping to such measures would, in their opinion, constitute an admission that their own superior brains are not infallible. Some players have that type of inferiority complex to such an extent that they won't bother to learn the difference in probabilities between the simplest measures. Even if they did happen to stumble on such knowledge, they probably are above using it.

S. A 8 8 4
H. Q 10 6 2
D. J 10 6 2
C. K 4 3
S. 7 6
H. 9 8 6 5
D. 3
C. K 5
S. 8 7
H. 10 4 2
D. 8 7
C. Q 9 6

(Dealer: East. Neither side vulnerable.)

East South West North
Pass 1 C. Pass 1 D.
Pass 2 NT. Pass 3 S.
Pass 4 NT. Pass 5 D.
Pass 5 NT. Pass 6 D.
Pass 6 NT.

South was prepared to try the grand slam if North had shown both missing kings in response to the Blackwood 5-No Trumps, as he has unbounded confidence in his ability to figure out the right way to play any contract without the aid of any props such as knowledge of probabilities, etc.

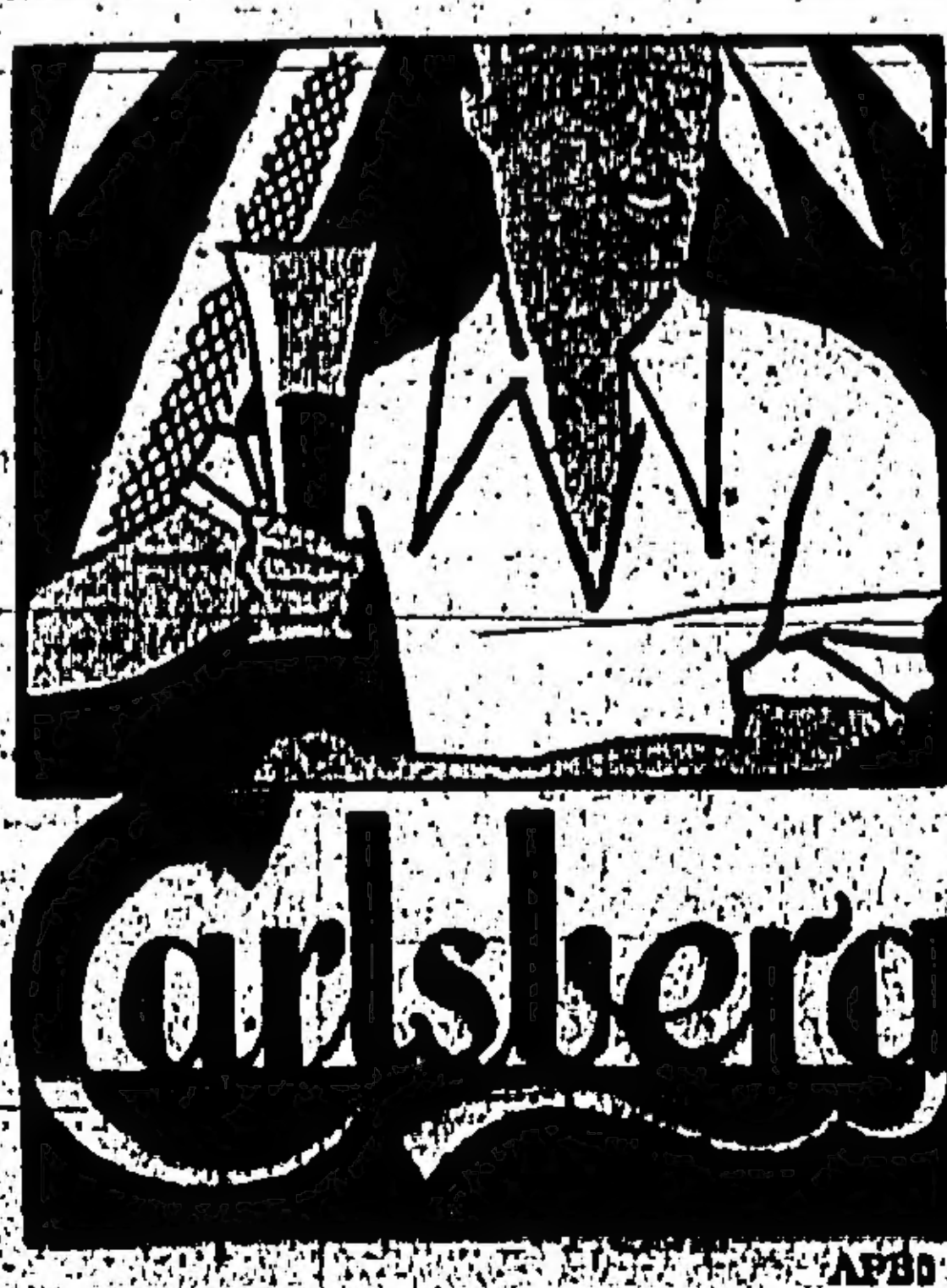
TOMORROW'S PROBLEM

S. None
H. J 9 7
D. A 8
C. A Q J 10 7 5 3 2
S. Q 10 8
H. 7 4
D. 8 0 5 2
C. 9 5 3 2
S. A K J 9 5 3 2
H. A
D. K 10 6
C. K 6

(Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.)
What would you consider the best bidding of this terrific deal?

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U.S. Arms For Europe

Washington, May 13.
President Truman said today he was contemplating no plan to ask Congress for armaments for Western Europe. He told his press conference that as far as the frequently discussed possibility of a resumption of military lend-lease to the Western European nations was concerned, there was no such plan before him.—Reuter.

American Warning To Egypt

Cairo, May 13.
The newspaper, "Al-Azaman," reported today that the United States government has addressed a "semi-official warning" to Egypt to accept the Palestine trusteeship. The paper quoted the alleged warning as saying that "the United States Government finds itself obliged to forego its promises to provide Egypt with dollars, etc., as the American Government is anxious that the trusteeship plan will take effect. If the plan is unacceptable to the Egyptian government, the latter should at least present an alternative scheme acceptable to the United States." The paper added that earlier when the US felt the strength of the Arabs in Palestine, President Truman sent a special envoy to Saudi Arabia who told Ibn Saud that the American government has dropped the partition plan.—United Press.

FOOD PROBLEM

Canberra, May 13.
Only one food producing country in a major food producing country was needed to plunge the whole world into a new food crisis, Mr. W. Bulcock, Australia's Agricultural Director, told farm scientists here today. "The problem of greater production of food in a world of increasing population is peculiarly the problem of the Southern Hemisphere," he said. Australia, South Africa and some South American countries, Mr. Bulcock said.—Reuter.

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2.45 p.m.—Jerry Lou at the Piano (Studio).
7.00 p.m.—"Unit Requests" Linda Carter Calling—Knowles Infantry Brigade (Studio).
8.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—Accent on Rhythms (NBCS).
8.30 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.
9.00 p.m.—"Here We Are Again" with Rita Williams, Mel Bacon, Harry Hudson, Joseph McNally and Orch. under Anton (ORBS).
9.30 p.m.—"Twenty Years After" by Alexander Dumas Episode 2 "The Son of Milla".
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.15 p.m.—Dance and Dance Music.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

U.S. Buying Of British Securities

New York, May 13.
The restoration of sterling convertibility by Britain may take from two to five years, the President of the Cotton Institute declared. Since last week when security sterling touched \$1.65 dollars, Americans bought British securities heavily. It is now revealed. Buying was principally attributable to the cheapness of security sterling even if sterling were to be officially devalued as well as the lessening of war fears. During the past week, about \$100,000 of security sterling have been taken out of the market. Swiss francs were extremely strong and are expected to continue so until May 31. Swiss interests are liquidation securities here for account of themselves and others, as they are generally trying to bring home their dollar assets before June 1st deadline, when the United States Treasury will then cease to accept applications for certification of blocked funds under General Licence No. 95. Secretary of the Treasury Snyder announced that at the "appropriate time," the Treasury might make adjustments in its interest rate on short-term Government securities. Immediately after this statement, the Treasury announced its June financing plan, showing no change in interest rates for one-year certificates.—Reuter.

GERMANS FOR BRITAIN

London, May 13.
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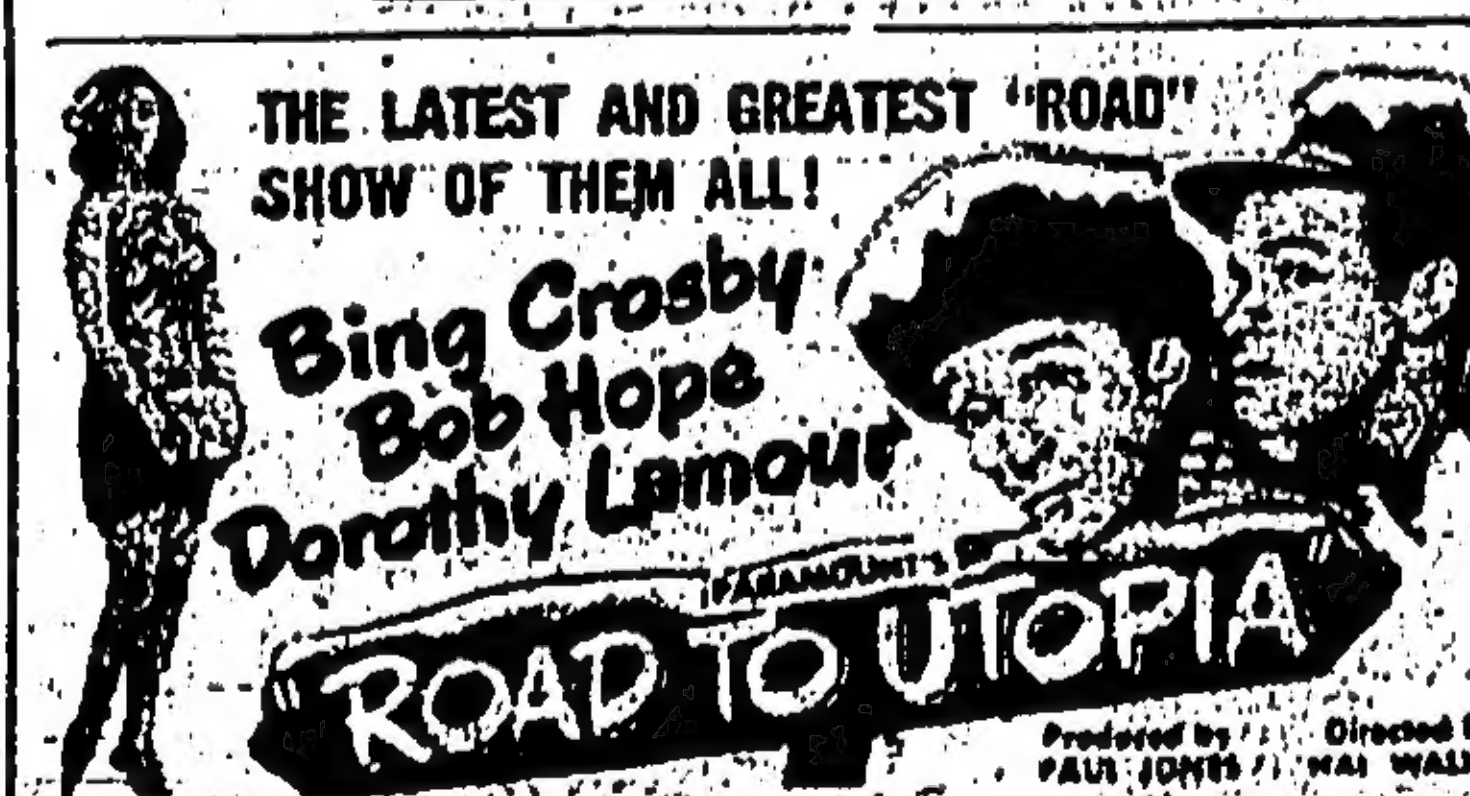
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HONG KONG'S
TRADE WITH CHINA

Shanghai official hints that further financial negotiations are proceeding with the Hong Kong Government appear to lack foundation unless reference is intended to some discussion which has had as its objective an increase in the amount of CNC which may be carried by transit passengers. Mayor Wu's criticism of Hong Kong does, however, serve as a reminder that the Financial Agreement between Hong Kong and China has now been in operation for three months, and makes it a point of interest to examine the results in terms of trade.

While a comparison of the movement of China exports in recent months with previous periods cannot be of conclusive value, it may nevertheless be held to indicate the trend and the degree of reciprocity which Hong Kong appears to be enjoying as a result of her efforts to assist China in a time of economic emergency.

The Financial Agreement by which "China exports" through Hong Kong were controlled came into operation at the end of the first week in January. By virtue of this agreement, Hong Kong prohibited the export from Hong Kong of certain commodities produced in China unless the exporter could satisfy the Imports & Exports Department that the sterling proceeds of such exports had been surrendered to the Central Bank of China.

The opinion both in Hong Kong and China indicates that the Agreement is working smoothly but can it be said that, while the machine may run smoothly enough, the finished product is being turned out in the same quantity as in the days when no Agreement was in force? A comparison of imports of the various products involved in the first quarter of 1947 and in the first quarter of 1948, would appear to be reasonable. Comparisons with other periods could also be made but the ultimate picture might be distorted because the movement of primary products is so often seasonal and comparisons, therefore, should usually cover the same seasons of each year.

According to figures issued by the Imports & Exports Department, the imports into Hong Kong in the first quarter of 1947 included 171,000 piculs of wood-oil, 25,000 piculs of antimony, 3,000 piculs of tin, 5,000 piculs of wolfram and 1,600,000 lbs. of tea. There were no imports of rapeseed oil recorded in the first quarter of 1947. The corresponding figures for the first quarter of 1948 are wood-oil 105,000 piculs, antimony 7,000 piculs, tin 5,000 piculs, wolfram 16,000 piculs, tea 862,000 lbs. and rapeseed oil 37,000 piculs.

There were no imports from China of cotton yarn in the first quarter of 1947, but since Hong Kong's purchases from China are now on a Government to Government basis there is no movement of trade on private account. Thus, while there has been a fair increase in imports of rapeseed oil, wolfram and bristles and a slight increase in tin, the import of antimony under the "China Export" scheme has dropped by almost 65%. Imports of tea are little more than half of what they were a year ago and imports of wood oil have declined by no less than 60,000 piculs.

These figures must be treated with caution as they cover short periods, but it is becoming



The War Cabinet and its additional members, with the Chiefs of Staff, for the three Services and a number of secretaries, had met together for the first time on Sept. 4, 1939. Thereafter we met daily, and often twice a day.

I do not recall any period when the weather was so hot—I had

In this instalment Mr. Churchill describes the impression made upon the War Cabinet by Hitler's blitzkrieg on Poland and the action of the Russians in partitioning the stricken country with their Nazi accomplices.

a black alpaca jacket made to wear over only a linen shirt. It was indeed just the weather that Hitler wanted for his invasion of Poland. The great rivers on which the Poles had counted in their defensive plan were nearly everywhere fordable, and the ground was hard and firm for the movement of tanks and vehicles of all kinds.

Each morning the C.I.G.S., General Ironside, standing before the map, gave long reports and appreciations which very soon left no doubt in our minds that the resistance of Poland would speedily be crushed. Each day I reported to the Cabinet the Admiralty tale, which usually consisted of a list of British merchant ships sunk by the U-boats.

The British Expeditionary Force of four divisions began its movement to France, and the Air Ministry deplored the fact that they were not allowed to bombard military objectives in Germany. For the rest a great deal of business was transacted on the Home Front, and there were of course lengthy discussions about foreign affairs, particularly concerning the attitude of Soviet Russia and Italy and the policy to be pursued in the Balkans.

The most important step was the setting up of the "Land Forces Committee" under Sir Samuel Hoare (Lord Templewood) at this time Lord Privy Seal, in order to advise the War Cabinet upon the scale and organisation of the Army we should form. I was a member of this small body, which met at the Home Office, and in one single sweltering afternoon agreed, after hearing the generals, that we should forthwith begin the creation of a 55-division Army, together with all the munition factories, plants and supply services of every kind necessary to sustain it in action.

It was hoped that by the 18th month two-thirds of this, a considerable force, would either already have been sent to France, or be fit to take the field. Sir Samuel Hoare was clear-sighted and active in all this, and I gave him my constant support.

The Air Ministry on the other hand feared that so large an army and its supplies would be an undue drain upon our skilled labour and manpower, and would hamper them in the vast plans they had formed on paper for the creation of an all-powerful overwhelming Air Force in two or three years. The Prime Minister was impressed by Sir Kingsley Wood's arguments, and hesitated to commit himself to an army of this size and all that it entailed. The War Cabinet was divided upon the issue, and it was weak or more before a decision was reached to adopt the advice of the Land Forces Committee for a 55-division Army, or rather target. I felt that as a member of the War Cabinet I was bound to take a general view, and I did not fail to subordinate my own departmental requirements for the Admiralty to the main design.

According to Hitler's plan, the German armies were unleashed on September 1, and ahead of them his Air Force struck the Polish squadrons on their airfields. In two days the Polish air power was virtually annihilated. Within a week the German armies had bitten deep into Poland. Resistance everywhere was brave but vain.

The second week was marked by bitter fighting and by the entry of the Polish Army, nominally 2,500,000 men, ceased to exist as an organised force. The German 14th Army reached the outskirts of Lemberg on September 12, and striking north-west joined hands on the 17th with the troops of the Third Army which had passed

ing pertinent to enquire whether Hong Kong meant to cut down its transshipment trade because of this Agreement and whether China was not expected to boost imports through Hong Kong in return for the benefits received.

The
Twenty-sixth
Instalment
SWEEP

ed through Brest-Litovsk. There was now no loophole of escape save for straggling and daring individuals.

It was now the turn of the Soviets. What they now call "Democracy" came into action. On September 17 the Russian armies advanced across the almost undefended Polish eastern frontier and rolled westward on a broad front. On the 19th they occupied Vilna, and met their German collaborators at Brest-Litovsk.

Here in the previous war the Bolsheviks, in breach of their solemn agreements with the Western Allies, had made their separate peace with the Kaiser's Germany, and had bowed to its harsh terms. Now in Brest-Litovsk it was with Hitler's Germany that the Russian

Communists grinned and shook hands. The ruin of Poland and its entire subjugation proceeded apace. Warsaw and Modlin still remained unconquered. The resistance of Warsaw, largely arising from the courage of its citizens, was magnificent and forlorn.

After many days of violent bombardment from the air, and by heavy artillery, much of which was rapidly transported across the great lateral highways from the Polish Western Front, the Warsaw radio ceased to play the Polish National Anthem and Hitler entered the ruins of the city.

Modlin, a fortress 20 miles down the Vistula, fought on until the 28th. Thus in one month all was over, and a nation of 35,000,000 fell into the merciless grip of those who sought not only conquest, but enslavement and indeed extinction for vast numbers.

We had seen a perfect specimen of the modern blitzkrieg; the close inter-action on the battlefield of army and air force; the violent bombardment of all communications and of any town that seemed an attractive target; the arming of an active Fifth Column; the free use of spies and parachutists and above all the irresistible forward thrusts of great masses of armour. The Poles were not to be the last to endure this ordeal.

The Soviet armies continued to advance up to the line they had settled with Hitler, and on the 29th the Russo-German treaty partitioning Poland was formally signed. I was still convinced of the profound and as I believed, unbreakable, antagonism between Russia and Germany, and I clung to the hope that the Soviets would be drawn to our side by the force of events.

I did not therefore give way to the indignation which I felt and which surged around me in our Cabinet at their callous, brutal policy. I had never had any illusions about them. I knew that they accepted no moral code, and studied their own interests alone. But at least they owed us nothing.

Besides, in mortal war anger must be subordinated to defeating the main immediate enemy. I was determined to put the best construction on their odious conduct. Therefore in a paper which I wrote for the War Cabinet on Sept. 21 I struck a cool note.

Although the Russians were guilty of the grossest and faith in the recent negotiations, their demand made by Marshal Voroshilov that Russian armies

Churchill's Memoirs
THROUGH POLAND

should occupy Vilna and Lemberg if they were to be allies of Poland was a perfectly valid military request. It was rejected by Poland on grounds which, though natural, can now be seen to have been insufficient. If the result, Russia has occupied the same line and positions as the enemy of Poland, which possibly she might have occupied as a very doubtful and suspected friend. The difference in fact is not so great as might seem.

It is quite impossible for Germany to denude the eastern front. A large German army must be left to watch it. I see Gen. Gamelin put it at least 20 divisions. It may well be 25 or more. An eastern front is therefore potentially in existence.

But it is possible that a south-eastern front may also be built up in which Russia, Britain and France will have a common interest. The left paw of the Bear has already closed the pathway from Poland to Rumania. Russian interest in Slavonic peoples of the Balkans is traditional.

The arrival of the Germans on the Black Sea would be a deadly threat to Russia. And also to Turkey.

Of course we should much prefer that all these countries should fall at once upon the sole and common foe, Nazi Germany; and this possibility

should not be excluded as time goes on. It will come very near if Germany struck through Hungary at Rumania, and to a lesser degree if she struck at Jugoslavia.

The policy we are pursuing of fostering this front, of strengthening it and endeavouring to throw it into simultaneous action should any part of it be attacked, seems absolutely right. This policy implies a renewal of relations with Russia, as the Foreign Secretary has swiftly foreseen.

If it should turn out that Hitler is barred in the east, which, of course, is not yet certain, three courses are open to him:

(1) A major attack on the western front, probably through Belgium, collecting upon British factories, ports, &c., or perhaps on the French air factories.

(2) An intensive attack by air upon British factories.

(3) What the Prime Minister calls "the peace offensive."

Personally I shall believe that (1) is imminent only when at least 20 divisions have been concentrated opposite Belgium and Luxembourg.

In a broadcast on Oct. 1, I said: "Russia has pursued a cold policy of self-interest. We could have wished that the Russian armies should be standing on their present line as the

friend and allies of Poland instead of an invader. But that the Russian armies should stand on this line was clearly necessary for the safety of Russia against the Nazi menace. At any rate, the line is there, and an eastern front has been created which Nazi Germany does not dare assault."

"I cannot forecast to you the action of Russia. It is a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma; but perhaps there is a key. That key is Russian national interest. It cannot be in accordance with the interest or the safety of Russia that Germany should plant itself upon the shores of the Black Sea, or that it should overrun the Balkan States and subjugate the Slavonic peoples of south-eastern Europe. That would be contrary to the historic life-interests of Russia."

The Prime Minister was in full agreement. "I take the same view as Winston," he said, in a letter to his sister, "to whose excellent broadcast we have just been listening. I believe Russia will always act as she thinks her own interests demand, and I cannot believe she would think her interests served by a German victory followed by a German domination of Europe."

(To Be Continued)

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**Briton's Tribute
To U.S. Aid**

London, May 14.

Sir John Boyd Orr, Director-General of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization, said today that the generosity of the United States was unsurpassed in history.

Sir John told a press conference, "The United States' Government Departments have lent officials, technicians and

**Soviet
Official's
Flight**

London, May 13.

The Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, M. Jacob Malik, one of Moscow's leading Far Eastern experts, left Berlin by air today for London on his way to New York to attend a United Nations meeting, a British official spokesman in Berlin said tonight.

He was accompanied by an official of the Soviet Foreign Ministry.

His sudden flight has caused considerable speculation in London. M. Malik, a former Soviet Ambassador to Tokyo, is reported to be bound for the United States and it was suggested, Reuters diplomatic correspondent writes, that he was making an urgent mission to Washington over the Korean problem, mentioned by Mr. George Marshall, the American Secretary of State, as one of the three key points of Soviet-American friction.

The others are Berlin and Vienna.

British experts who have met him consider M. Malik as one of the ablest younger Soviet officials.—Reuters.

**Economic
Council
Wasting
Its Time**

London, May 13.

Lord Bruce, of Melbourne, Chairman of the World Food Council set up by the United Nations, said today the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations had so far failed to give leadership in the struggle for world economic recovery.

Speaking at a luncheon given by the World Trade Alliance in London, Lord Bruce said the responsibility for recovery lay on the Food and Agricultural Organisation, the International Trade Organisation and the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development.

These agencies were today "dissipating their energies over a vast, unrealistic and impracticable field."

They should decide what tasks should have priority and link their priorities into a coordinated plan. He suggested that the starting point of any such plan should be food.

The prosperity of agriculture affected two-thirds of the world's working population and its development, particularly in Africa, the Middle East and the Far East, would, in turn, develop a demand for secondary industries.—Reuters.

**WORLD FLIGHT
CANCELLED**

London, May 13.

Former New Zealand fighter pilot Arthur Albury Mansfield's proposed round the world solo flight has been cancelled, a sponsor said today.—Associated Press.

NO STATEMENT

Stockholm, May 13.

A Swedish Foreign Office spokesman tonight said he could make no statement on the report that Sweden had offered Norway a military alliance.—Reuters.

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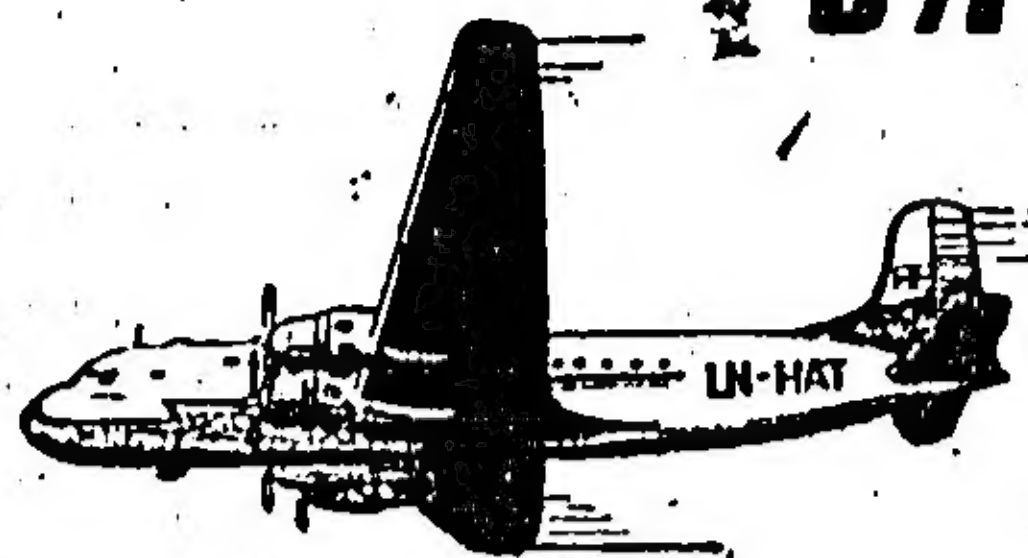
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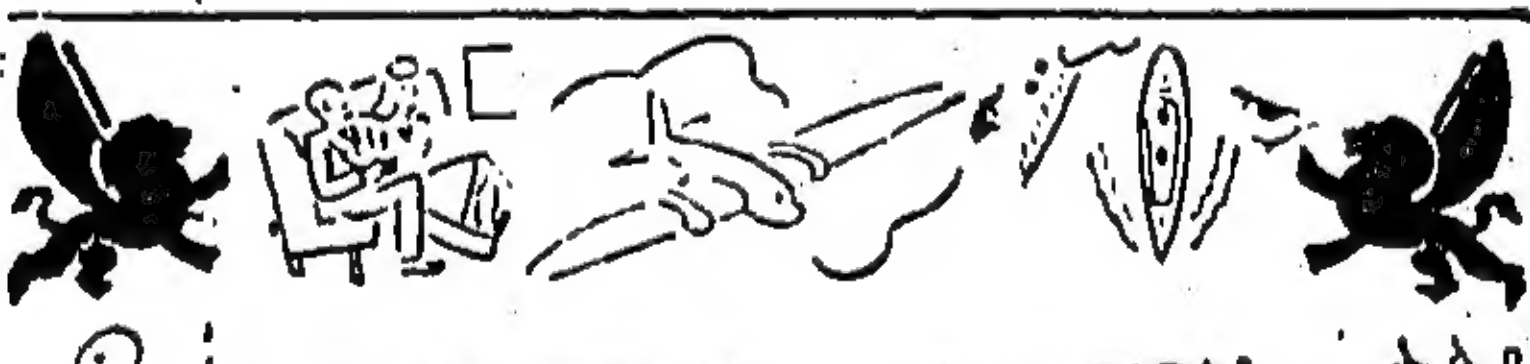
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Rejected**

Danube, May 13.

The Soviet Union is understood to have rejected a British proposal for preliminary four-power talks on the future control of navigation on the Danube before a full conference of interested powers is held in Belgrade.

It was officially stated today, in answer to inquiries, that a Russian note had been received here replying to the British suggestion that the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France should first meet in Washington.

**Dr. Benes
"Not Well"**Prague, May 14.
President Benes "has not been well recently," the official spokesman at his home at Sedimova Usti said today.

He refused to elaborate, but said the President had made no plans for official activity in the immediate future because of his health. Dr. Benes did not attend the proclamation of the new constitution here yesterday.

The spokesman denied rumours that the President had resigned. He refused to comment on a question regarding the possibility of the President resigning after the May 30 election.

An official spokesman in Prague said that under the new constitution President Benes would fulfil his term, ending 1953, without the necessity of any new election.—United Press.

**Sulfa And
Plague**Washington, May 14.
Two internationally known plague experts from India disclosed yesterday that two sulfa drugs and streptomycin had proved effective in treating human bubonic plague victims. In a paper before the fourth International Congress on Tropical Medicine, Drs. S. S. Solansky and P. M. Wagle, of the Haffkine Institute, Bombay, said the death rate in recent tests had been reduced to 3.3 persons per hundred patients when streptomycin was used.

Sulfa drugs showed a death rate of only 4.2 and sulfamerazine a death rate of 5.8. Approximately 2,000 delegates from more than 40 nations are attending the Congress.—Reuter.

**German Generals
Going Home**Bridgend, May 14.
Seventy-six German officers, most of them generals, were given a great farewell when they left their island prison-camp here today to return home.

The officers were wished goodbye at the station by a dozen well-dressed women, some with their husbands.

As the trains drew out on the journey to the port of Harwich, several of the women gave the generals bouquets of carnations and tulips. The generals replied by kissing them.

Field Marshals Von Rundstedt, Von Brauchitsch and Von Manstein were not in the party. Von Rundstedt and Von Manstein are in bad health and Von Brauchitsch is writing his memoirs. They will not be allowed to settle here as ordinary citizens.—Reuter.

**CZECHS' NEW
OATH**Prague, May 14.
The Czechoslovak Security Corps throughout the country today took a new oath swearing "allegiance to the Czechoslovak Republic and the President and the Government."

In Prague, the Minister of the Interior, told members of the Corps that the new oath was a guarantee that the Security Corps "cleansed of reactionary elements will never cease to work for the democratic order of our people and for a Socialist government, which will guarantee a better future."—Reuter.



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**Government
And Films**

London, May 13.

Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, told the House of Commons today that the Government planned to set up a committee to consider State ownership or State management of film studios, which could be set to independent producers.—United Press.

**Challenge
To Duel**

Rome, May 14.

The first duelling match to come out of the new Italian Parliament was in the making on Thursday.

A Monarchist party Deputy, G. Allatta, abstained from voting during Parliament's selection of the President—who takes the King's place.

He dramatised his fidelity to the House of Savoy by publicly ripping his ballot to pieces. The newspaper "Voce Repubblicana" added a few personal comments to its report of the incident.

On Thursday Allatta sent his seconds to the editor to demand satisfaction on the field of honour.—Associated Press.

**BENCHES BUILT
FOR TWO**

London, May 14.

Spooners in London parks this summer may have benches built for two.

The suggestion came from Mrs. George Strauss, chairman of the London County Council's Park Committee.

Mrs. Strauss said, "It must be very awkward when a young couple want a private talk or gossip if others are sitting on the same seat in the park."—United Press.

**U.S. CONDITIONS FOR
AID TO EUROPE**

Washington, May 13.

The United States would shut off economic aid to any European nation which supplied war machinery to Russia, Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, the ERP Administrator, said today.

In the Senate Appropriations Committee, beginning hearings on legislation to appropriate funds for Marshall aid, a Senator asked Mr. Hoffman what he intended to do to "control the translation of our goods and money" into war machinery for Russia.

"If it is true," Mr. Hoffman said, "that we are furnishing aid and if a country is shipping such commodities (to Russia), they have got to stop it or we won't furnish the aid."

Senator Homer Ferguson asked Mr. Hoffman: "Why should we send steel to Britain which will be used in the manufacture of jet engines to be sent to Russia?"

Mr. Hoffman replied: "As long as we are furnishing aid, we have the right to look at any recipient nation's overall programme. We certainly intend to protect our own interests."

Mr. Hoffman also said the objectives of the Marshall plan were so important "that we must not let inability to repay in the immediate foreseeable future interfere with the sending of aid."

The Yardstick
The total required for any country must be arrived at on the basis of economic, not merely**BELATED
SURRENDER**

Guam, May 14.

Two ragged but healthy Japanese soldiers came out of the jungles yesterday and gave themselves up two years and eight months after the surrender. They had a 1947 copy of an American magazine and one of them kept pointing to a picture and muttering. The picture showed Emperor Hirohito and a group of U.S. military police.—Associated Press.

**Bangkok
Hold-Up
Sequel**

Bangkok, May 13.

The police today found in a gold shop, a few bars from the shipment of more than US\$2,000,000 which was hijacked from Customs officers here while on its way from India to Manoa.

The deputy Army Commander-in-Chief, Lt.-Gen. Phin Chunhawan, is working with the police, who predicted that the bandits would be found and most of the two tons of gold bars recovered.

Several persons were questioned, including soldiers of the Seventh Infantry Battalion, three Customs officers and the driver of the hijacked truck.

The police found two vehicles used by the bandits in the hold-up on Wednesday night. One was found near the Seventh Infantry barracks. The other was a sedan registered in a woman's name in the city. Army uniforms used by the bandits were left in the sedan. The hijacked gold truck was left near a public park.—United Press.

**Trade Unionism
In Malaya**

London, May 14.

The Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. David Rees-Williams, told a questioner in the House of Commons today that the report of the trade union mission to Malaya was still being prepared and he could not therefore give the date of its publication.

Mr. Frederick Skinnard, Labour, had asked how many locally recruited officers were serving in administrative positions in the Government service in the Federation of Malaya and in Singapore, and what provision existed for holding entrance examinations locally for the recruitment of Asiatics of the same standard as Europeans.

Mr. Rees-Williams replied that he was communicating with the Malayan Government and would give a reply later.—Reuter.

**Siam Settles
An Argument**

Paris, May 14.

Mr. George Bidault, Foreign Minister, told a Cabinet meeting today that Marshal Pibul Songgram, the Siamese Premier, had informed him Siam was prepared to return four small disputed provinces to France.

"This question has been finally settled," M. Pierre Adelin, Secretary to the Prime Minister's office, told a press conference after the meeting.

The dispute arose out of the session to Siam by Vichy France in 1941 of parts of the provinces of Ales and Cambodia, and Siam's request for frontier adjustments after she had returned the provinces at the end of the Pacific war.—Reuter.

Washington, May 13.
President Truman today asked Congress for an additional \$2,434,441,000 for defence.—Reuter.

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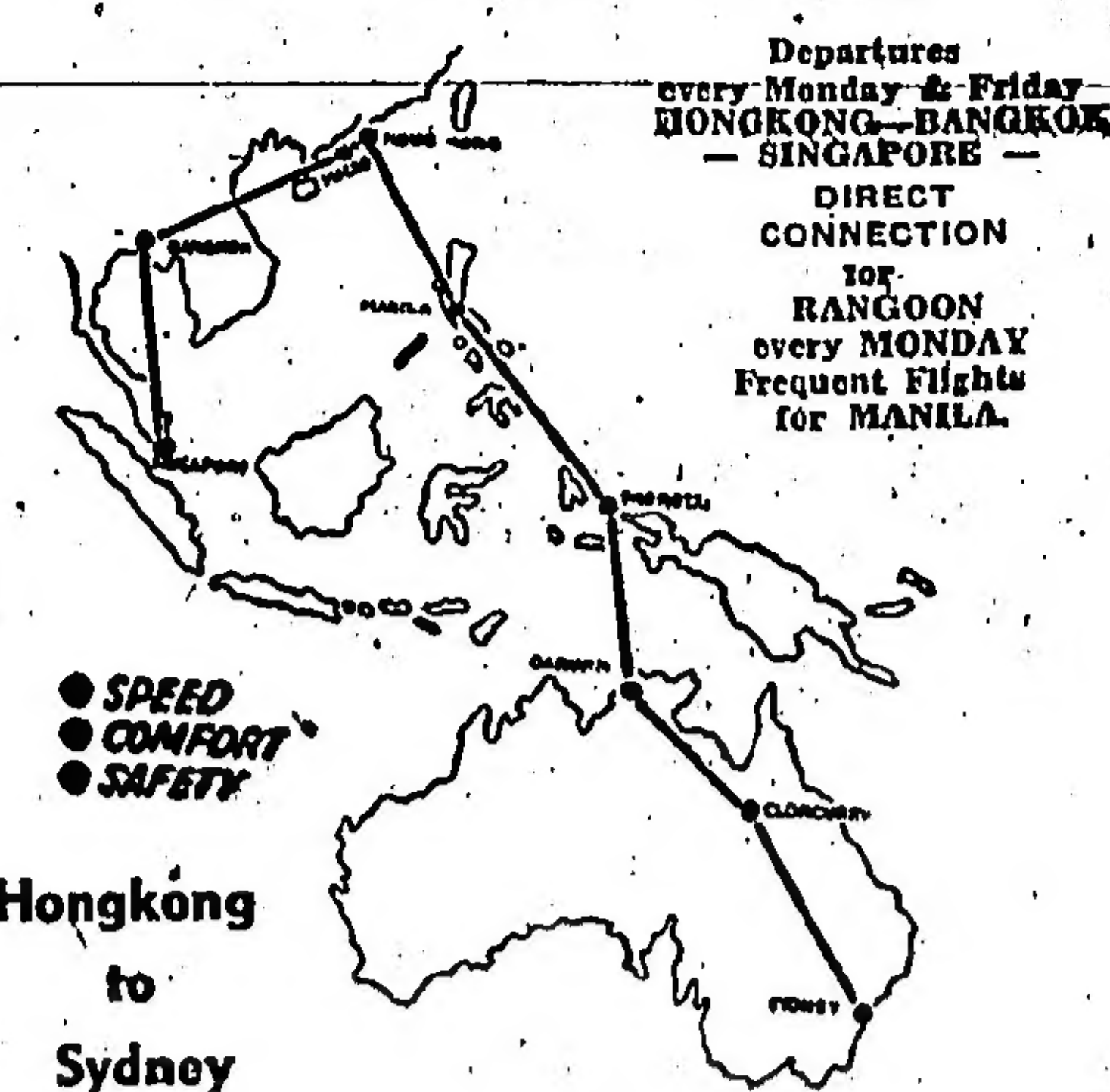
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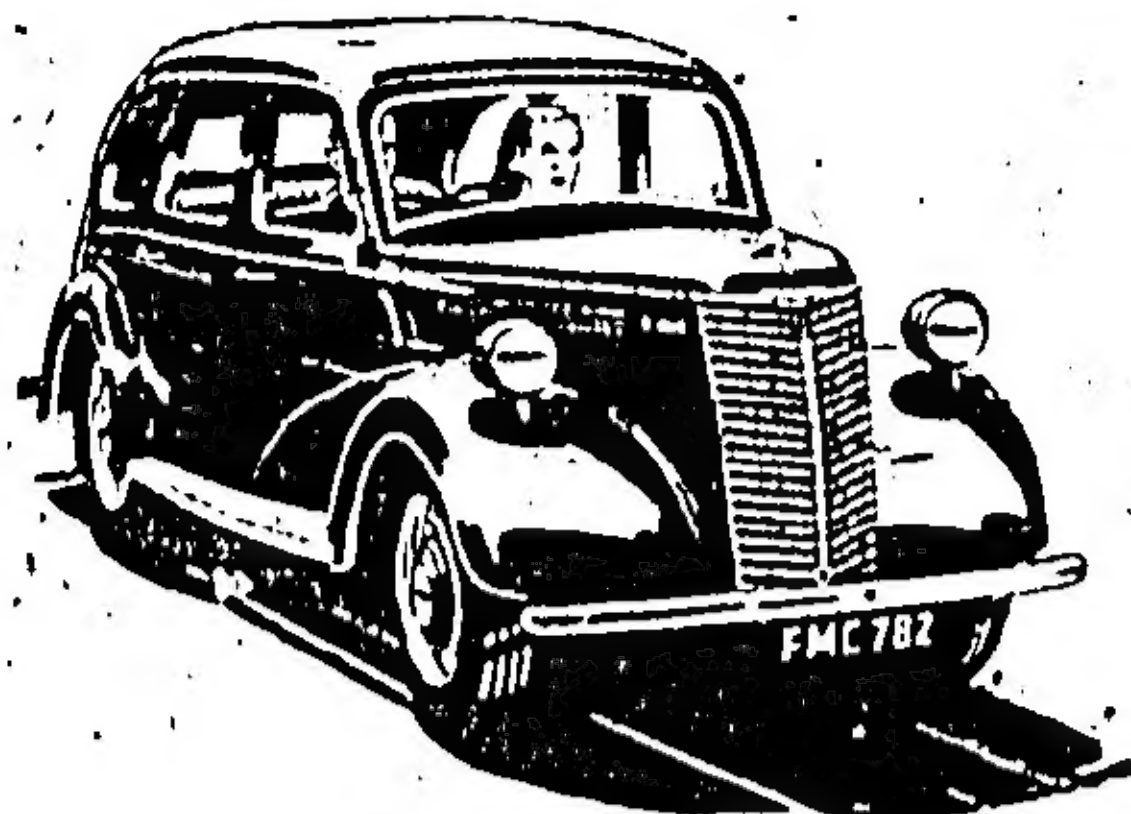
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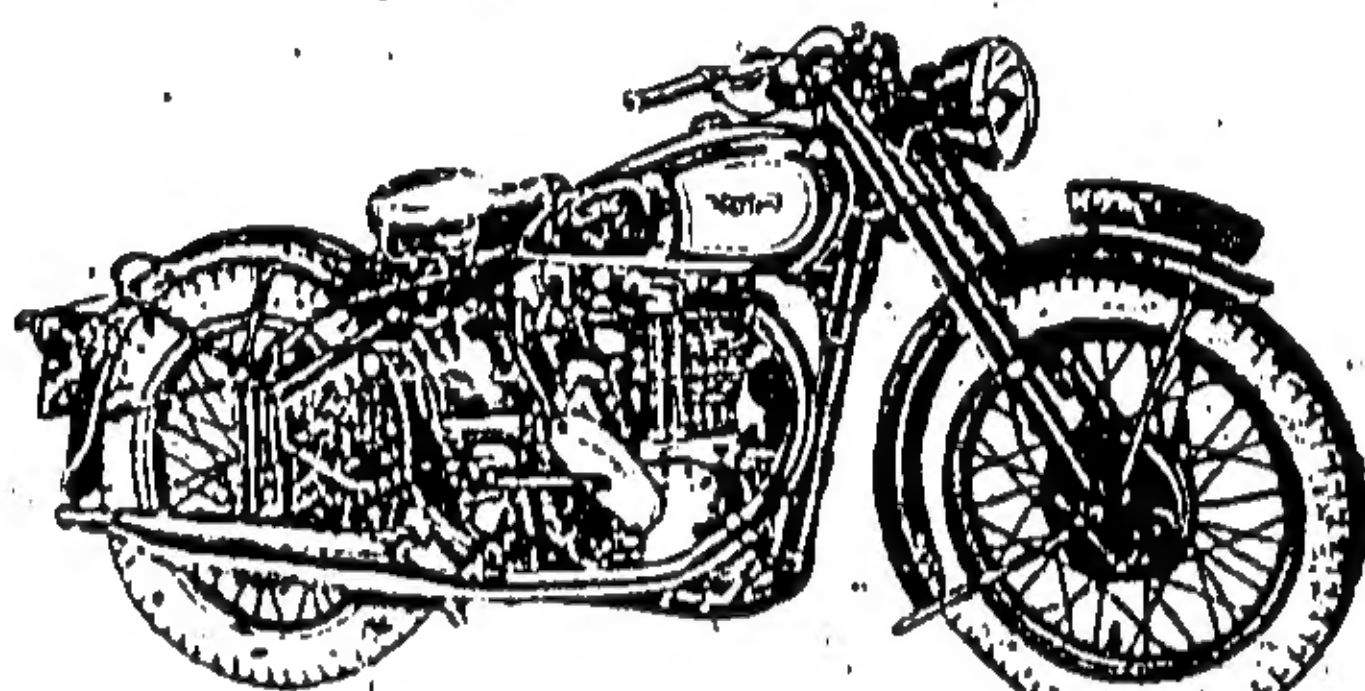
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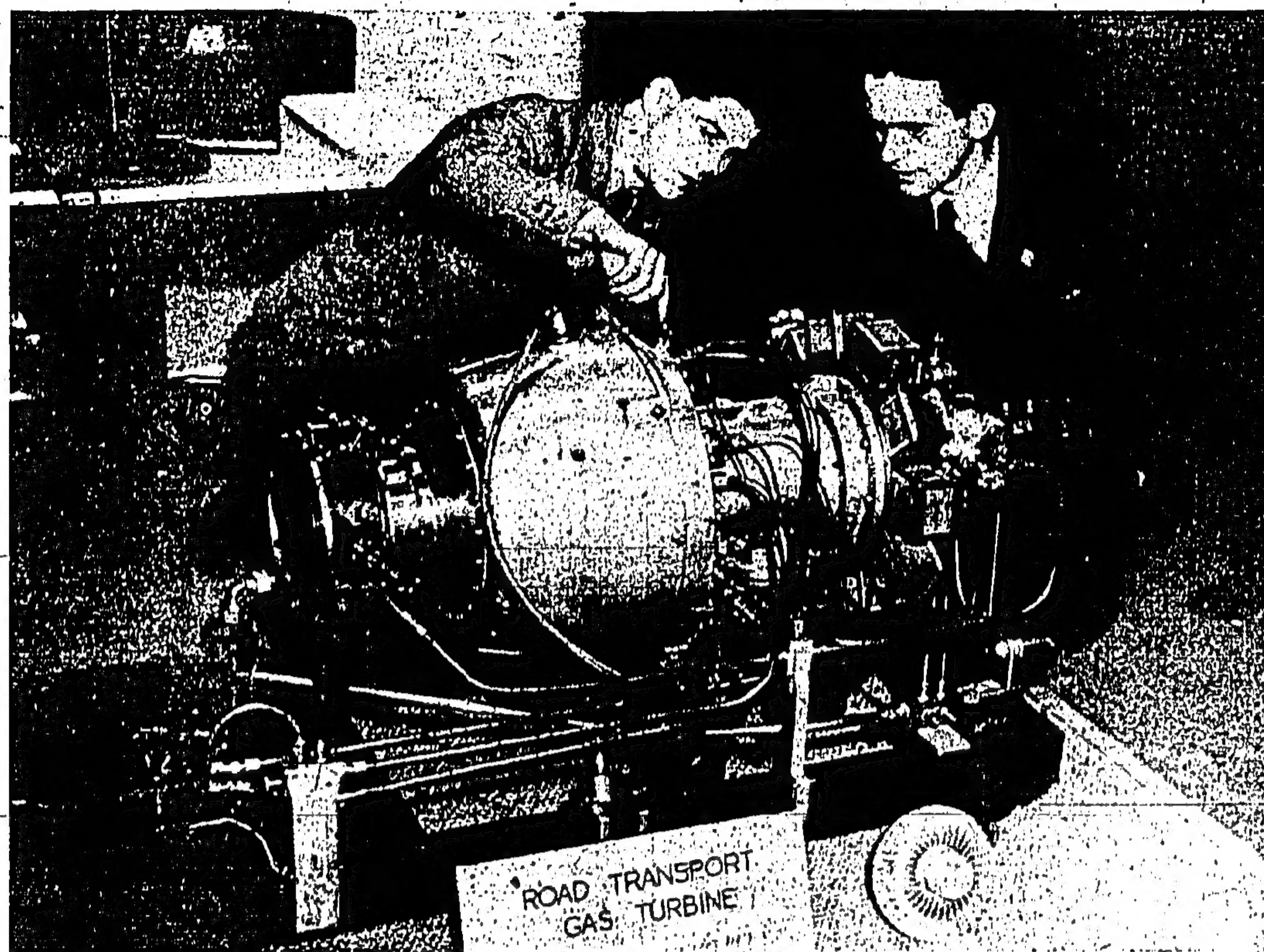
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This picture shows the world's first gas turbine car engine which is being displayed at the British Industries Fair which opened May 3. The engine, invention of Richard Barr and Geoffrey White, engineers, and Harry Leach, draughtsman (all former members of the British Government-owned Power Jets-organisation) is the smallest gas turbine ever made.

Five foot long, with a maximum diameter of seven inches, the engine, which weighs only 250 pounds, has 160 brake horse-power and produces a performance equivalent to that of a petrol-driven car of 35-40 h.p.

This engine, designed to power lorries, small river craft and limousines, has no dangerous exhaust like the normal jet engine, and runs on diesel oil, using a negligible quantity of lubricant. It has no pistons, cylinders, sparking plugs, radiator or clutch. The inventors believe that in a few years a much smaller turbine will power the ordinary family automobile. (A.P. Photo)

Fifty Years Of Motorcar History

Daimler, 1896-1946: 50 Years of the Daimler Company, by St. John C. Nixon. (C. T. Foulis, Ltd. 42s.)

The London and Provincial "Cavalcade" held the summer before last commemorated in effect not only the Jubilee of the Motor Industry, but also that of the Daimler company, for both the Daimler company and the Lanchester concern, its sometime rival and present yolk-fellow, may claim to be our pioneer manufacturers of cars.

In Mr. Nixon, who is also secretary of the Veteran Car Club of Great Britain, the company has an enthusiastic, even affectionate, chronicler of its early days. A passenger himself while a boy in the great 1,000 Miles Trial of 1900, in which Daimler did so well, he has the advantage of knowing personally many men like F. R. Simons and J. S. Critchley, who pioneered the Daimler concern. A large proportion of the book deals, perhaps, more with pre-history than with history, for the author has been at great pains to disentangle the technical and

financial threats to what was to become a great industrial fabric. He sketches with skill the early days of the company, when the enthusiasm of its directors ran their financial and business affairs. The Daimler beginnings were somewhat chequered and hazy, with the theatrical figure of H. J. Lawson appearing and reappearing upon the stage in the course of his elaborate financial operations.

When one realises that the Daimler company was, in being before the "Emancipation Act" of 1896, it is not surprising that it should attract not only the enthusiast but the speculator. Amongst the former was the Hon. Evelyn Ellis, who was the first to import a motorcar into this country, and who, in 1896, gave the then Prince of Wales his first motor-drive, thus converting him to the sport of motoring and securing for the Daimler concern that Royal patronage which it has enjoyed ever since. With the King as a customer and a stable board of directors at last, the company soon forged ahead. Technically, its history is interesting for the successive adoption of the Knight sleeve-valve engine, and later, under L. H. Pomeroy, the introduction of the fluid flywheel and pre-selector gearbox, first on the Double Six 12-cylinder models and later throughout the range.

The book may be criticised as being overweighed with accounts of the early days, but the author feels, and feels rightly, that whilst later epochs are fully documented, all available facts about the birth of the industry should be put on record, while there is yet time. Sections of the book are devoted to the Lanchester company, the B.S.A. concern, and other companies affiliated to Daimlers, and the war-time activities of the Group, both in 1914-18 and in the recent struggle are also dealt with.

CHALLENGE ON DRINK TESTS

Propriety of police tests of drivers believed to be "under the influence" was challenged recently in Scotland. In giving judgment at the High Court in Edinburgh, the Lord Justice-General said that they desired to emphasize that the circumstances of different cases might vary infinitely and that no attempt could be made to lay down rigid rules for universal application. In normal cases, the Court considered that before being examined by a police doctor the suspect ought to be charged and cautioned in the usual way by the police, who ought further specifically to ask his consent to medical examination and tests.

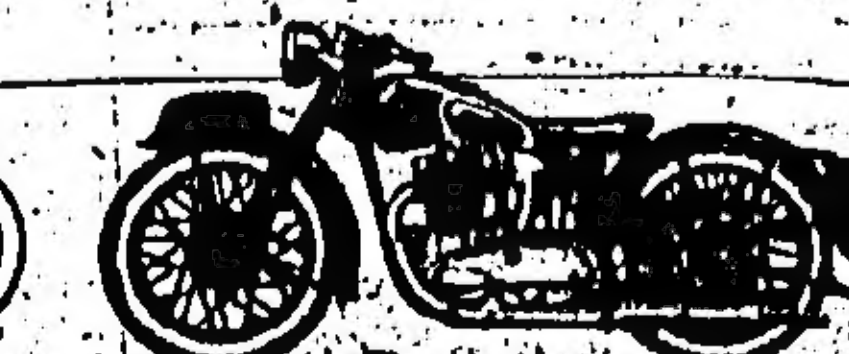
The accused should further be informed of his right to summon a doctor of his own choosing and be afforded facilities for doing so, but the police examination was not to be delayed until that other doctor was present.

The examination should normally proceed without the presence of police officers. Any interrogation of the accused by the doctor with regard to recent events should be directed solely to testing his memory and coherence and not to eliciting information bearing on his guilt, and any information bearing upon his guilt which might be incidentally elicited must not be communicated to the police. If consent to examination was refused, the fact of such refusal could be proved in evidence; but the police doctor, if summoned, should confine himself to observation without examination or test.



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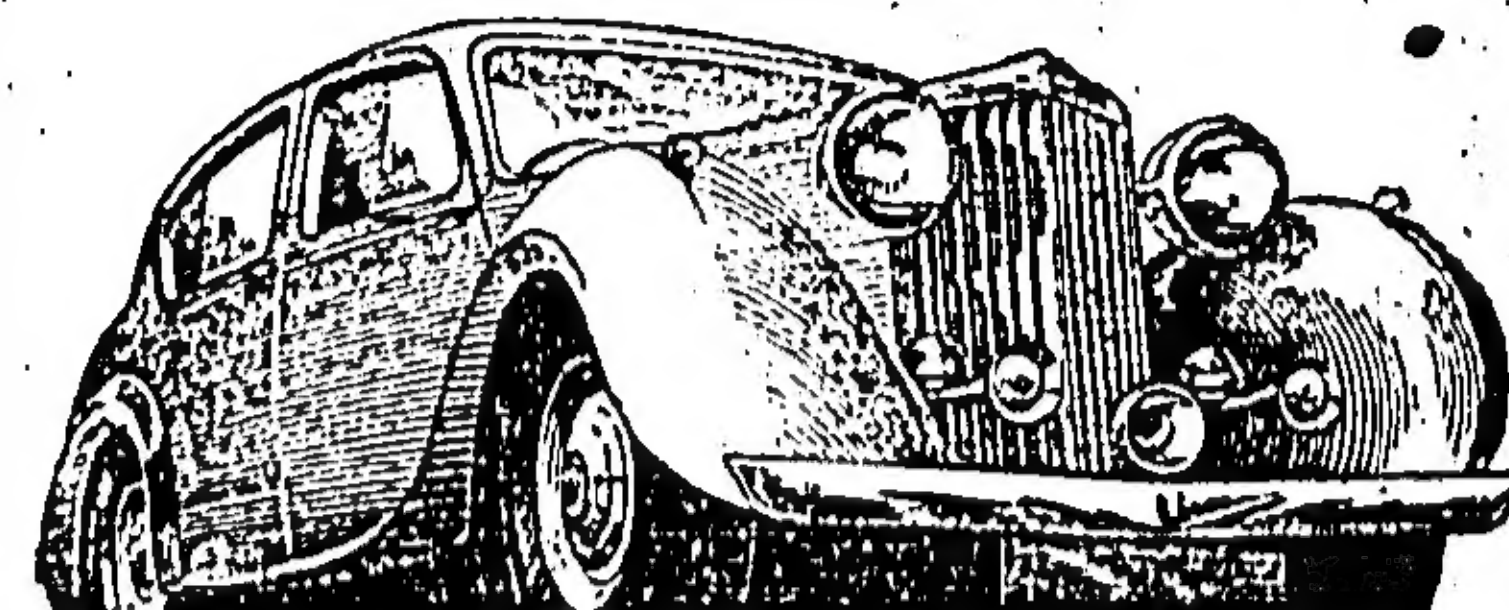


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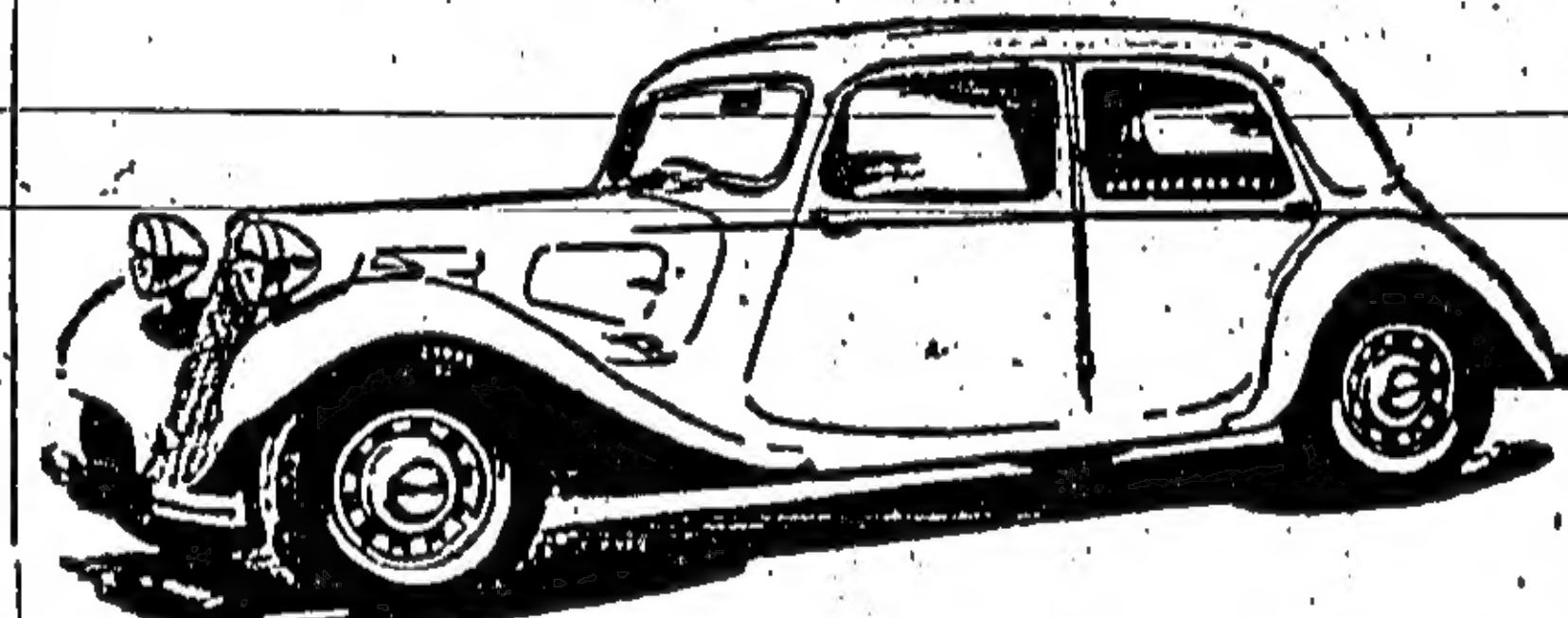
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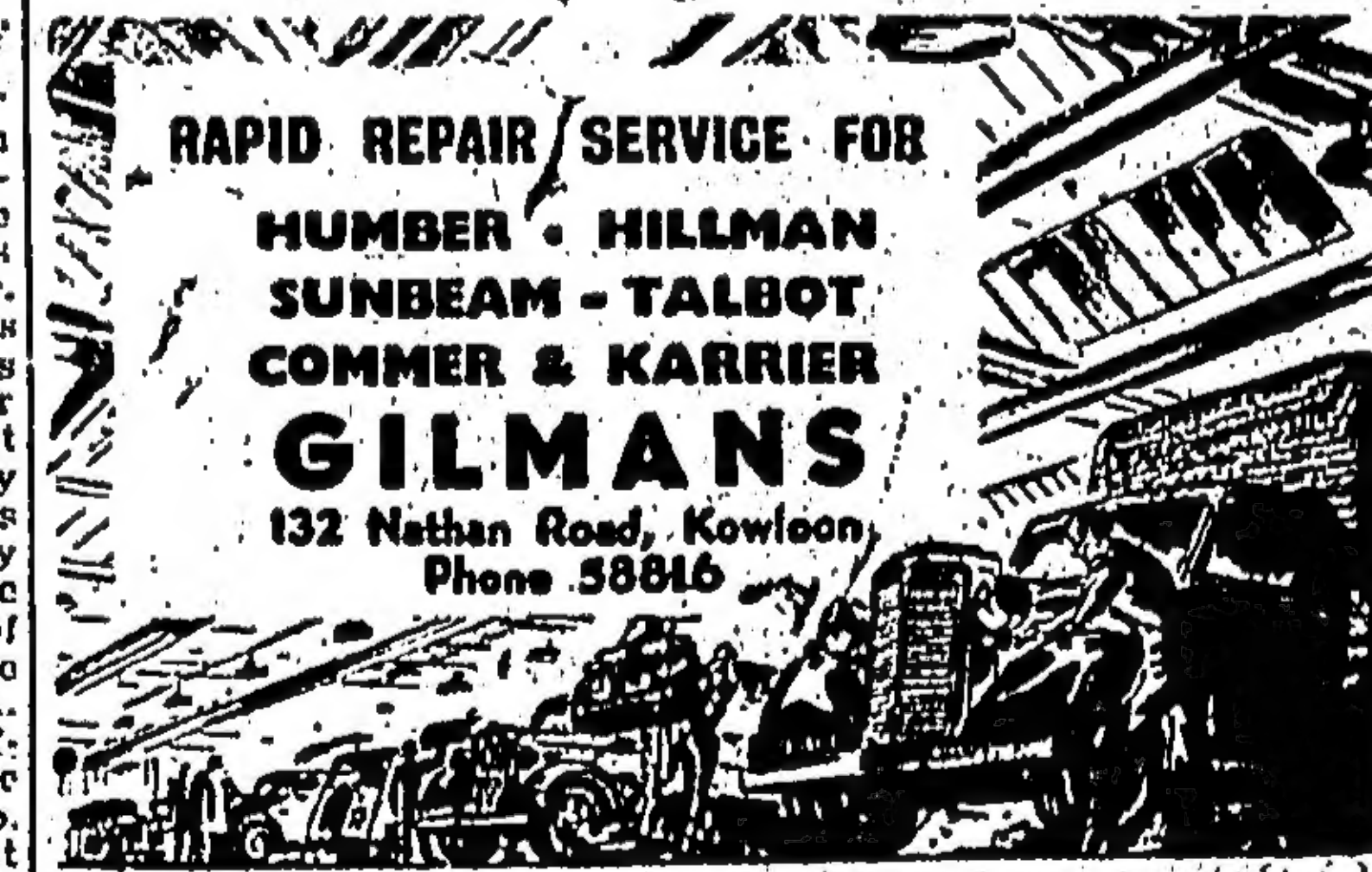
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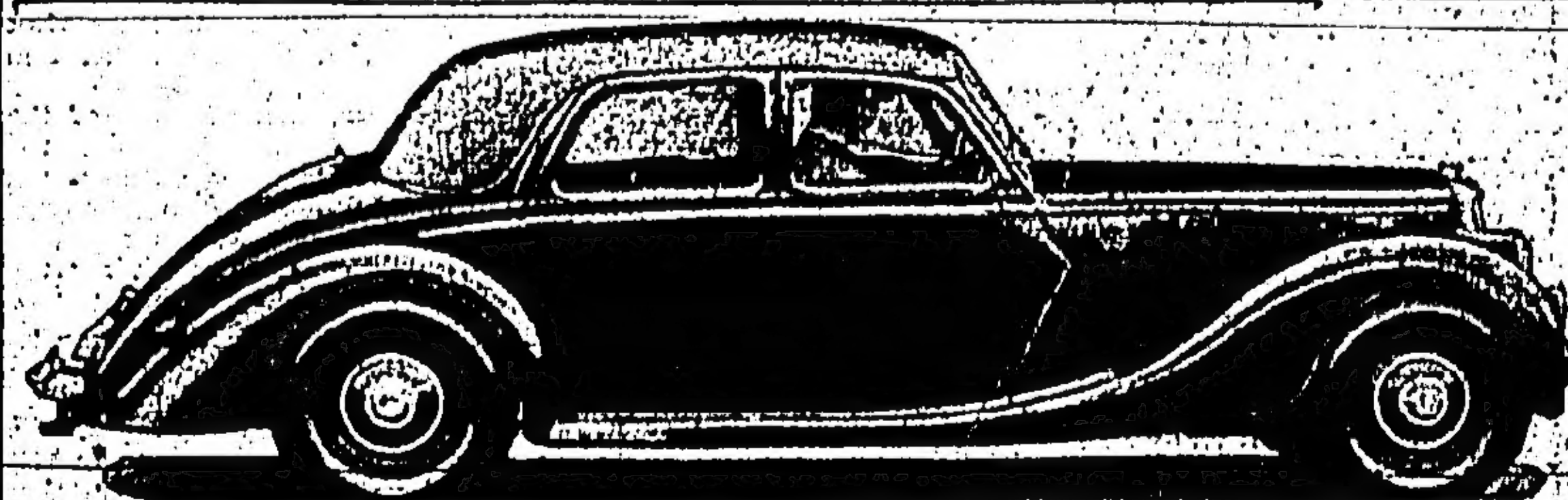
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GREAT RUSSIAN MYSTERY

Motives Behind Disclosure Of Talks

Broadcast Timing Significant

London, May 13.

The motives which prompted Moscow to place the details of the talks between General Walter Bedell Smith, the United States Ambassador in Moscow, and the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov, remain a mystery.

The disclosure of the actual facts of the incident has only heightened it.

Observers here, following the United States official denials, that specific talks between Russia and the United States were ever contemplated, suggest three possible Soviet motives.

1.—To give a wedge of distrust between the countries of Western Europe and the United States with the object of halting progress in the Marshall Plan and drawing off United States support for the Western Union.

2.—To confuse public opinion in the United States at a moment when Congress is due to debate military appropriations and when military backing for Western Union defence is under discussion.

3.—To provide Communist propaganda throughout the world with a sensational Soviet gesture of reconciliation to be played up as proof that the Western powers, and not Russia, are responsible for the existing tension.

when no immediate official reaction, either in Washington or in Europe, was likely until the next morning, and it came shortly after the American Ambassador had left Russia for his fishing holiday in France.

This suggests that the Russians may have deliberately waited until the Ambassador was absent and unable to give an instantaneous United States explanation of the publication.

A Legend

This, in turn, observers consider supports the theory that the foremost object of the Soviet move was to gain maximum currency for the impression that a major Soviet peace feeler in the

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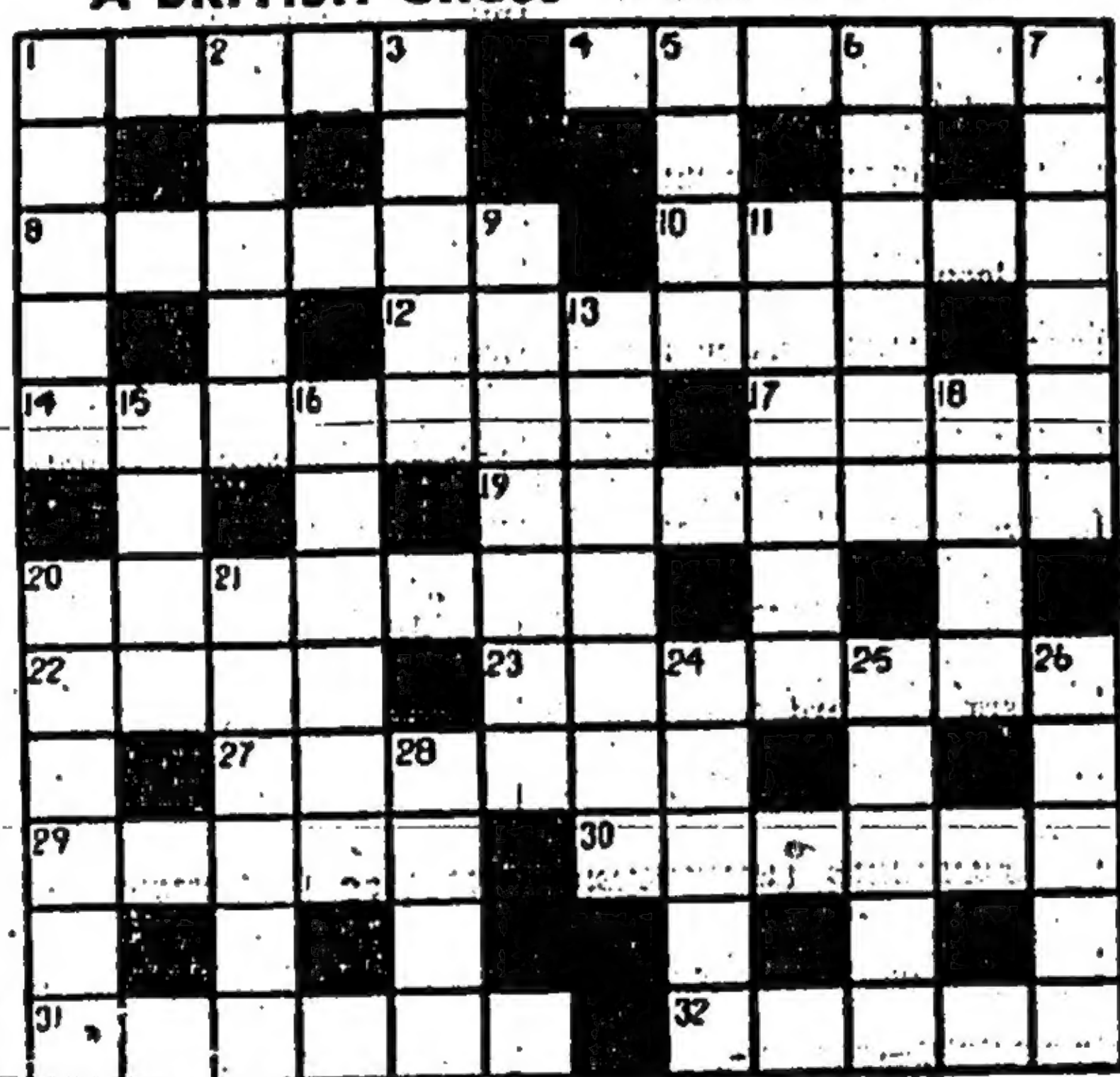
Berlin, May 13.

The Tagliche Rundschau here today praised the "American initiative for proposing a meeting to regulate Soviet-American differences," but warned that results now depend on the publication of "further concrete facts proving the sincerity of the American Government."

It was the first comment made by an official Russian Army publication. The paper said: "Soviet foreign policy has never threatened anybody. The Soviet did not and does not threaten the United States nor any other state. If there is a tense international tension, it is necessary (for others) to cease war propaganda and reject the policy of military alliances."

The Russian licensed Berliner Zeitung, which calls itself "independent," said, "Marshall's statement is for all who considered the Smith-Molotov talks as relieving the world situation a serious disappointment. It is now obvious that the American action in Moscow was only a manoeuvre to deceive world opinion and the American people about alleged love of peace and readiness for an agreement by the American Government. Once more we know that the U.S.A. is not willing to abandon their aggressive policy and war preparation by the erection of a western military bloc to encircle the Soviet Union."—United Press.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

1 Flower. 22 Purched. 23 Spurring. 24 Abandon. 25 Force open. 26 Morals. 27 Entertain. 28 Peculiarity. 29 Lavishly. 30 Carved. 31 Stone.

Clues Down

1 Parson. 2 Bird. 3 Cent. 4 Plate. 5 Division of. 6 Fish. 7 Began to appear. 8 Knead. 9 Loathing. 10 Bewail. 11 Pitcher. 12 Oozes. 13 Curb. 14 Mollycoddle. 15 Division of. 16 Yorkshire. 17 High apartment. 18 Peculiarity of language. 19 Verve. 20 Dispose of.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across:—3 Preludes, 8 Ruin, 9 Volatile, 11 Defeated, 12 Heap, 15 Cardinal, 16 Deliver, 18 Sect, 21 Settlement, 25 Bracelet, 26 Dial, 27 Expelled.

Down:—1 Prod, 2 Tiff, 4 Riot, 5 Load, 6 Drive, 7 Steep, 9 Valid, 10 Legal, 12 Evade, 14 Apron, 16 Newel, 17 Limit, 19 Sabre, 20 Clasp, 21 Seal, 22 Dene, 23 Exit, 24 Tilt.

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Karachi, May 13.

The Pakistan Government has decided to replace the Red Ensign by the Pakistan National flag, the Pakistan Finance Minister told Parliament here today.

"The Red Ensign is now being flown by Pakistan ships pending the issue of a warrant by the King under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, authorising the use of the Pakistan flag," he added.—Reuter.

"Cold war" had been put out from Moscow before any United States correction of the Soviet version appeared.

In this, Moscow appears to have been successful, and officials in several European capitals agreed today that the legend that the Soviet Union has extended the olive branch to the United States will die hard in many sections of public opinion. Influenced by newspapers which acclaimed the Moscow broadcast with relief, Reuter.

Berserk Oil Well

Edmonton, Alberta, May 13.

The Alberta Government ordered all 60 oil wells in the vast \$300,000,000 Leduc oilfield to close down today as emergency crews sought to control a "berserk" well spraying black oil over a radius of two miles.

The Alberta Government ordered the closing of the oil wells, thus halting all production, for fear of possible fires from the gushing oil.

Experts said it would be at least three weeks before production could be resumed. They estimated total potential losses at more than \$5,000,000.

Aircraft were ordered to stay away from the field lest engine sparks set off a disastrous explosion. The oil covered 40 acres of the field. The well was estimated to be belching the equivalent of 10,000 barrels of oil daily, roughly the combined production of the entire field.—Reuter.

Records Go On London Exchange

London, May 13.

All new issue records were broken when dealings commenced in the London Stock Exchange today.

Stock-brokers began to form queues outside the Stock Exchange at 7.30 a.m. today and when dealings eventually started, the price rocketed from 58/6 to 65/—amid a scramble to buy.

The attraction was the good investment yield offered at this price. The overall volume of business has been mainly for the purpose of squaring up positions in view of the nearness of the end of the current trading period but nevertheless this produced some features.

The gilt-edged market moved up by a quarter per cent. demand being concentrated in nationalisation stocks, namely electricity and transport 3%.

Manila, May 14.
Mr. Arthur H. Barrett, 36, vice-president and general manager of the Luxon Brokerage Company, died of polio-myelitis on Thursday night after an illness of 13 days.—United Press.

Watch Deal Fine

Bournemouth, May 13.

Tsnih Arunsalam-Storer, a native of Ceylon, was today fined £200, with an alternative of three months imprisonment for dealing in watches brought into Britain without payment of customs.

He pleaded guilty when he appeared before the Bournemouth magistrate. Storer was described as a commercial traveller and the prosecuting solicitor said he was intercepted by a detective in the act of selling 59 uncustomed Swiss watches.

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"TREVEAN"	Japan	22nd June

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"ORBITA"	Singapore, Penang, Aden, Port Said, Genoa, Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam (Amsterdam)	30th May
"TREVEAN"	U.K.	31st May
"TREVOSE"	Shanghai & Japan	31st June
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"TURNER"	Shanghai	5 p.m. 15th May
"TURNER"	Bombay via Straits	29th May

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	SAILING
"TURNER"	Shanghai	26th May
"TURNER"	Bombay via Straits	29th May

APCAR LINE

ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	DUE
"SANGOLA"	Japan & Amoy	21st May

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	SAILING
"SANGOLA"	Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta	23rd May

Eastern



Australian

STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED

ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	DUE
"NANKIN"	Japan & Shanghai	28th May
"NELLOR"	Australia & Manila	10th June

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	SAILING
"NANKIN"	Manila, Sandakan, Itabau, Brisbane & Sydney	7th June
"NELLOR"	Shanghai & Japan	14th June

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Arrivals	Sailings
"TJITJALENGKA" In port	to Manila 15th May, p.m.
	to Javaports & Macassar, 20th May.
"TJISADANE" from Macassar & Javaports, 25th May.	to Javaports & Macassar, 31st June.
"TJIDEBAR" from Japan 10th May.	to Macassar & Javaports 20th May.

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Arrivals	Sailings
"STRAAT MALAKKA" from South America, 19th May.	Sailing to Shanghai & Kobe 21st May to South Africa, South America, via Manila & Straits 6th June.
"TEGELBERG" from South America, 10th June.	to Shanghai & Japan 12th June to South Africa, South America, 20th June.
"RUYS" from South Africa, 10th June.	to South Africa 12th June to South America Mid August.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L to Dar-Es-Salaam, Mombasa, Zanzibar accepted on all sailings.

SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

Arrivals	Sailings
"WEINRICH JESSEN" from Swatow & Amoy 10th May.	to Straits & Belawan Deli 20th May.
"VAN HEUTSZ" from B. Deli & Swatow 20th May.	to Swatow & Amoy 31st May to Straits & B. Deli 7th June.

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

Arrivals	Sailings
"RIDDERKERK" from Japan & Shanghai 20th May.	to Europe via Straits 31st May.
"MARIEKERK" from Europe 5th June.	to Europe via Straits 7th July.
"MOLENKERK" from Europe, early July.	to Europe via Straits, late July.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L accepted to Mediterranean and Northern European ports.

Agents: SILVER LINE LTD.

Arrivals	Sailings
"SILVEROAK" from U.S. Atlantic Ports, 9th June.	to U.S. Atlantic Ports, 10th June.

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DE LA RAMA LINES

EXPRESS CARGO LINER SERVICE TO AND FROM PACIFIC & ATLANTIC COASTS. LOADING DATES IN U.S.A.

Loads	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	Mid. May	m.v. "DONA NATI"
	Mid. June	m.v. "DONA ANOETA"
	Late June	m.v. "TONGHAI"
ARRIVALS		
From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	22nd May	m.v. "BALI"
	10th June	m.v. "DONA AURORA"
	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"
SAILINGS		
For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	17th June	m.v. "DONA AURORA"
	Mid. June	m.v. "BENGAL"
	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"
San Francisco & Los Angeles	Mid. June	m.v. "HALLAND"

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Overseas Chinese To Invest

Nanking, May 14. T. V. Soong, Governor of Kwangtung, will soon launch a three-way programme for economic reconstruction of the province, it was announced here today by Cheng Koh-shiang, Director of Soong's Kwangtung Information Office.

Cheng said the programme calls for: 1. The development of Hainan Island. 2. The construction of a modern harbour at Whampoa for ocean-going ships. 3. The construction of a canal railway which will eventually be linked to the Canton-Hankow rail-line.

He said the development of Hainan includes a harbour at Yulin, expansion of the Island's fishing industry, the development of iron mining and an increase in the production of native goods for export.

Encouraging investments by overseas Chinese in Indonesia, Indo-China and Malaya are expected to play a large part in the programme.—United Press.

American Trade Policy

Washington, May 14. Charles Sawyer, new Secretary of Commerce, is drafting a trade policy statement which will let Russian bloc nations buy more American goods.

Officials said clarification of the tightened export control policy adopted on March 1 will only partly lift the chokehold on shipments to Eastern Europe.

Purchase of industrial goods which might add to Russia's war potential will continue to be banned, they said.—Associated Press.

Notice To Consignees

m.v. "KOOKABURRA" From North West American Ports, San Francisco, Manila, arrived 11th May, 1948.

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"TSINAN"	Swatow	10 a.m. 16th May
"SZECHUEN"	Swatow, Saigon & Bangkok	4 p.m. 16th May
"SINKIANG"	Singapore, Palembang, Macassar, Sourabaya, Samarang, & Batavia	10 a.m. 20th May
"FOOCHOW"	Yokohama & Kobe	4 p.m. 20th May
"NANCHANG"	Incheon, Tientsin & Pusan	5 p.m. 20th May
"SIENKING"	Shanghai	5 p.m. 22nd May
"HANYANG"	Amoy, Fouchow & Tientsin	10 a.m. 26th May
"FAHRI"	Japan Ports	last week May

ARRIVALS FROM

"SINKIANG"	Shanghai, Amoy & Swatow	17th May
"FOOCHOW"	Java & Singapore	17th May
"SIENKING"	Shanghai	7 a.m. 18th May
"HANYANG"	Tientsin, Shanghai & Fouchow	21st May
"POYANG"	Singapore	21st May

CANTON RIVER LINE

"FATSHAN"	Dunkirk	Arrives 7.00 a.m. 16th May
"WUSUEH"	Sails	5.00 a.m. 18th May

Agents: BLUE FUNNEL LINE

U.K. SERVICE

Arrivals from

"TELEMACUS"	U.K. via Straits	22nd May
"MYRMIDON"	U.K. via Straits	27th May
"TYDEUS"	U.K. via Straits	late May

Sailings to

"BRECONSHIRE"	Liverpool via Port Said	18th May
"STENTON"	Genoa, Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool and Glasgow	24th May

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Arrivals from

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"AGAMEMNON"	Manila and Shanghai	Mid June

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Arrivals from

"CHANGTE"	Australia	27th May
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Sailings to

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CATHAY PACIFIC ex-Macao, 11.50 a.m.; ex-Shanghai, 6.20 p.m.

H.K. AIRWAYS ex-Canton, 10.55 a.m.; 1.15 p.m.; 3.30 p.m.; 5.55 p.m.

PAN-AMERICAN ex-San Francisco, 1.45 p.m.; ex-Manila, 2.40 p.m.

PHILIPPINE AIRLINES ex-San Francisco, 1.45 p.m.; ex-Manila, 2.40 p.m.

AIR FRANCE ex-Beijing, 2 p.m.

HOAC ex-Hankow, 4.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

CNAC ex-Shanghai, 3.20 p.m.; ex-Amoy, 5.20 p.m.; 12.55 p.m.; ex-Canton, 2.30 p.m.; 5.45 p.m.

CATHAY PACIFIC ex-Singapore, 11.50 a.m.; 3 p.m.; ex-Shanghai, 5 p.m.

H.K. AIRWAYS ex-Shanghai, 5 p.m.; ex-Canton, 10.55 a.m.; 1.15 p.m.; 3.30 p.m.; 5.55 p.m.

HOAC ex-Hankow/Singapore, 4.30 p.m.; ex-Shanghai, 4 p.m.

MONDAY

CNAC ex-Shanghai, 10.45 a.m.; ex-Amoy, 12.55 p.m.; ex-Canton, 2.30 p.m.; 5.45 p.m.

CATHAY PACIFIC ex-Singapore, 11.50 a.m.; 3 p.m.; ex-Shanghai, 5 p.m.

H.K. AIRWAYS ex-Shanghai, 5 p.m.; ex-Canton, 10.55 a.m.; 1.15 p.m.; 3.30 p.m.; 5.55 p.m.

HOAC ex-Hankow/Singapore, 4.30 p.m.; ex-Shanghai, 4 p.m.

DEPARTURES

TODAY

CNAC for Shanghai, 11.45 a.m.; for Amoy, 1.45 p.m.; for Canton, 1.15 p.m.; 3.40 p.m.

CATHAY PACIFIC for Sydney, 4 p.m.; for Amoy, 2 p.m.; for Canton, 1.15 p.m.; 3.40 p.m.

H.K. AIRWAYS for Shanghai, 10 a.m.; for Canton, 9 a.m.; 11.20 a.m.; 1.40 p.m.; 4 p.m.

PAN-AMERICAN for New York via Hong Kong, Canton, Karachi, Damascus, Istanbul, London, 3.15 p.m.

PHILIPPINE AIRLINES for San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Honolulu, 1 p.m.

TOMORROW

CNAC for Amoy via Swatow, Tainan, 8.30 a.m.; for Amoy via Swatow, 7 a.m.; for Canton, 1.15 p.m.; 3.40 p.m.

CATHAY PACIFIC for Macao, 10.30 a.m.; 2 p.m.; for Amoy, 2 p.m.

AIR FRANCE for Saigon, 8 a.m.

H.K. AIRWAYS for Canton, 9 a.m.; 11.20 a.m.; 1.40 p.m.; 4 p.m.

MONDAY

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CATHAY PACIFIC for Sydney, 4 p.m.; for Amoy, 2 p.m.; for Canton, 1.15 p.m.; 3.40 p.m.

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PAN-AMERICAN for New York via Hong Kong, Canton, Karachi, Damascus, Istanbul, London, 3.15 p.m.

PHILIPPINE AIRLINES for San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Honolulu, 1 p.m.

POST OFFICE

Outward Mails

GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Monday, May 17, 1948, the General Post Office and Royal Central Post Office will open from 8 a.m. to Noon. The other branch post offices from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

There will be one delivery of Registered and Ordinary Correspondence at 10 a.m. and one collection only from Pillar boxes. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Until further notice only ordinary correspondence will be accepted for delivery by surface (free only) and entirely at sender's risk. Registered and Parcel Service is suspended.

BOOKS TO JAPAN

Effective from May 1, 1948, Books, Manuscripts and all other mail matter under the classification of "Printed Matter" (unregistered) can now be accepted for Japan.

All other otherwise stated Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the Ordinary Mail. If Mail close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel will close at 6 p.m. on previous day.

SATURDAY, MAY 15

Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 7.50 a.m.; 10 a.m.; 12.30 p.m.; 3 p.m.; (P.O.) 7 a.m.; 9.30 a.m.; Noon, 2.30 p.m.

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Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

CHANGING (Jardine) from Hong Kong, 11.15 a.m.

HONGKONG (Jardine) from Hong Kong, 11.15 a.m.

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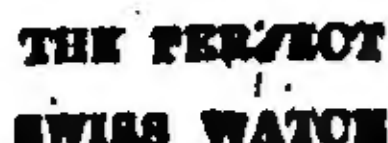
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